

G  
352.0742b  
C81  
2014  
c.1

# 248<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL REPORT



Published by Dwight Tuxbury & Sons

Blow-me-down Bridge, Cornish, N. H.

CORNISH, NEW HAMPSHIRE  
FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2014

## **PUBLIC NOTICE**

**2014**

674:39-aa Restoration of Involuntarily Merged Lots. –

I. In this section:

(a) "Involuntary merger" and "involuntarily merged" mean lots merged by municipal action for zoning, assessing, or taxation purposes without the consent of the owner.

(b) "Owner" means the person or entity that holds legal title to the lots in question, even if such person or entity did not hold legal title at the time of the involuntary merger.

(c) "Voluntary merger" and "voluntarily merged" mean a merger under RSA 674:39-a, or any overt action or conduct that indicates an owner regarded said lots as merged such as, but not limited to, abandoning a lot line.

II. Lots or parcels that were involuntarily merged prior to September 18, 2010 by a city, town, county, village district, or any other municipality, shall at the request of the owner, be restored to their premerger status and all zoning and tax maps shall be updated to identify the premerger boundaries of said lots or parcels as recorded at the appropriate registry of deeds, provided:

(a) The request is submitted to the governing body prior to December 31, 2016.

(b) No owner in the chain of title voluntarily merged his or her lots. If any owner in the chain of title voluntarily merged his or her lots, then all subsequent owners shall be estopped from requesting restoration. The municipality shall have the burden of proof to show that any previous owner voluntarily merged his or her lots.

III. All decisions of the governing body may be appealed in accordance with the provisions of RSA 676.

IV. Any municipality may adopt local ordinances, including ordinances enacted prior to the effective date of this section, to restore previously merged properties that are less restrictive than the provisions in paragraph I and II.

V. The restoration of the lots to their premerger status shall not be deemed to cure any non-conformity with existing local land use ordinances.

VI. Municipalities shall post a notice informing residents that any involuntarily merged lots may be restored to premerger status upon the owner's request. Such notice shall be posted in a public place no later than January 1, 2012 and shall remain posted through December 31, 2016. Each municipality shall also publish the same or similar notice in its 2011 through 2015 annual reports.

Source. 2011, 206:4, eff. July 24, 2011.

G  
352,024ab  
C 81  
2014  
C-1

**248<sup>th</sup>**  
**Annual Report**  
of the  
**Selectmen**  
and other  
**Town Officers**

NHSL - CONCORD

MAY 11 2021



**Cornish**  
**New Hampshire**  
Year Ending December 31, 2014



## NOTICE

### DOG & CAT OWNERS:

- **All Dogs over three months of age must be licensed by May 1<sup>st</sup>.**
- Failure to license subjects owners to a fine of \$50.00 plus \$1.00 per month after June 1<sup>st</sup>. It's the law.
- Legal Rates: Male/ Female - \$9.00, Neutered/Spayed \$6.50
- Owner over 65, \$2.00 for first dog, regular rates for additional dogs.
- **State Law requires all dogs to be vaccinated against Rabies.**
- Rabies certificates are required for licensing.
- **New Hampshire RSA:466 - Owners are liable for free running dogs.**  
**Penalties are severe.**

### NEW CONSTRUCTION OR ALTERATIONS:

- The Town requires permits for new construction or exterior alterations to any building. If in doubt, check first with the Selectmen.

### TO THOSE OPERATING IN OR NEAR WETLANDS OR WATERWAYS:

- RSA 438-A State Dredge & Fill applications must be filed with the Town Clerk before beginning work. Fines may be assessed for noncompliance.

### MUNICIPAL REMINDERS

#### Deadlines:

Property Tax Abatements.....	December Billing to March 1
Current Use Applications.....	April 15
Exemption/Tax Credits.....	April 15
Property Tax Due Date.....	July 1 and December 1
Vehicle Registration.....	Birth Month of Applicant

**Please be sure to let the Town Office know when you**  
**change your address.**



## TABLE OF CONTENTS

### *Town Section*

Aging in place in Cornish .....	44
Auditors Report .....	45
Balance Sheet .....	18
Births .....	42
Budget Appropriations/ Expenditures .....	20
Capital Reserve .....	39
Cemetery Department .....	46
Conservation Commission .....	47
CREA Committee .....	50
Deaths .....	41
Energy Committee .....	51
Fair Association .....	48
Fire Auxiliary .....	53
Fire Department .....	54
Forest Fire Warden & State Forest Ranger .....	55
Garden Club .....	56
Gen. Assist. & Sr. Resources .....	57
Highway Department .....	60
Historical Society .....	61
Inventory Valuation .....	32
Legislative Report-2014 .....	62
Library .....	58
NH Executive Council Report .....	52
Marriages .....	40
Meals on Wheels .....	78
Meeting House .....	63
Minutes 2014 Meeting .....	10
Park Grange #249 .....	59
Planning Board .....	64
Police Department .....	65
Proposed Budget/Estimate of Revenue-County .....	73
Rescue Squad .....	66
Revenues .....	19
St. Gaudens National Historic Site .....	68
St. Gaudens Memorial Trustees .....	67
School Report .....	85
Selectman's Report .....	43
Senior Luncheon .....	70
Southwestern Community Services 2013-2014 .....	71
Spirit Committee .....	72
Tax Collector's Report .....	36
Tax Liens Summary .....	35
Tax Rate Computation .....	34
Town Clerk's Financial Report .....	79
Town Forest .....	80

Town Officers .....	4
Town Salaries .....	31
Treasurer's Report .....	37
Trust Funds Report .....	38
Visiting Nurse Assoc. Vt.&NH .....	81
Warrant .....	6
Zoning Board of Adjustment .....	82

### *School Section*

Athletic Committee .....	S11
Auditor's Report .....	S55
Before & After School Program .....	S18
Building Maintenance Report .....	S11
Budget .....	S39
CCPTO Report .....	S12
Cornish School Dist. SAU Planning Committee .....	S22
Debt Payment Schedule .....	S30
District's Share of Administrative Salaries .....	S32
Enrollment .....	S7
James Brewster Fitch Scholarship .....	S30
Food Service Report .....	S35
French Accounts .....	S24
Fund Raiser Report .....	S34
High School Tuition .....	S7
Minutes of 2014 School Mtg .....	S25
Nurse's Report .....	S14
Principal's Report .....	S9
Principal & Teachers .....	S8
Projected Salaries .....	S51
Proposed Revenues .....	S49
Public High School Enrollment .....	S7
SAU #6 Expenses .....	S32
SAU #6 Personnel .....	S32
School Board Report .....	S2
Special Ed. Expenses .....	S33
Special Endowment Funds .....	S31
Support Staff .....	S8
Superintendent's Letter .....	S3
Tax Rate Report .....	S50
Technology Committee .....	S21
Treasurer's Report .....	S29
Warrant .....	S36

# **TOWN OFFICERS OF CORNISH, NEW HAMPSHIRE**

## **ELECTED OFFICIALS**

### **Town Clerk – 3 years**

Paula Harthan (2016)  
Reigh Sweetser, Deputy

### **Town Treasurer – 1 year**

Heidi Jaarsma (2015)  
William Caterino, Deputy

### **Moderator – 2 years**

Gwyn Gallagher (2016)

### **Selectmen – 3 years**

Scott Baker (2016)  
John Hammond (2015)  
Dale Lawrence (2017)

### **Tax Collector – 1 year**

Reigh Sweetser (2015)  
Paula Harthan, Deputy

### **Highway Agent – 1 year**

Wayne Gray (2015)

### **Sexton – 1 year**

Tom Spaulding (2015)

### **Supervisors of Checklist – 6 years**

Robin Monette (2016)  
Ruth Rollins (2018)  
Leland Atwood (2020)

### **Trustees of Trust Funds – 3 years**

Linda Fellows (2016)  
Heather Meeks (2015)  
Richard Simons (2017)

### **Trustees of George H Stowell Library – 3 years**

Kathryn Patterson (2016)  
Richard Scheuer (2017)  
Bernice Johnson (2015)

### **General Assistance & Senior Resources - 1 year**

Pam Annis (2015)  
Nancy Newbold, Assistant  
Marie Durusha, Assistant

### **Representatives to the General Court – 2 years**

Andy Schmidt  
Virginia Irwin  
Lee Oxenham

**State Senator- District 5- 2 years**  
David Pierce (2014)

**Sullivan County Commissioner**  
Jeffrey Barrette

## **APPOINTED OFFICIALS**

**Fire Chief – by Selectmen – 3 years**  
Vacant (2017)

### **Police Officers – by Selectmen**

E. Douglas Hackett, Chief Eric Brann  
Corey Stevens, Sgt

### **Planning Board - by Selectmen – 3 years**

Bill Lipfert, Chairman (2017) – 11 yrs  
Heidi Jaarsma, Secretary (2015) – 14 yrs  
Gail McKenzie, (2016) – 15 yrs  
Scott Baker for Selectmen Ex Officio – 2 yrs  
Jay Young (2017) - 5 yrs Alt  
Gwyn Gallagher (2016) – 10 yrs  
Mary Mancuso (2016) – 8 yrs  
David Haseman (2015) – 2 yr Alt

### **Zoning Board of Adjustment – by Moderator – 3 years**

Caroline Storrs, Chair (2017)-34 yrs  
Jason Bourne, Vice Chair (2015) – 8 yrs  
Wm Balch, Clerk (2016) – 37 yrs Alt  
James Brown (2015) – 8 yrs  
Bruce Tracy (2015) – 16 yrs  
Dale Rook, (2016) – 17 yrs Alt  
Kate Freeland (2017) – 3 yr Alt  
Karim Chichakly (2016) Alt

### **Conservation Commission – by Selectmen – 3 years**

Jim Barker, Chair (2016) –7 yrs  
Herrika Poor, Vice Chair (2016)- 39 yrs  
Bob Bulkeley (2017)  
Bill Galagher (2018) – 14 yrs  
Dale Rook (2015)  
Buz Lord (2017)  
Steven Wilkie (2017)  
John Berry (2015) Alt  
Patrick Clancy (2017) Alt  
Paul Dunne (2017) Alt  
Frank Parks (2016) Alt – 7 yrs  
Jenny Schad (2016) Alt – 5 yrs  
John Hammond – Selectboard Rep. 8 yrs



# **TOWN OFFICERS OF CORNISH, NEW HAMPSHIRE**

## **Finance Committee – by Moderator – 3**

years  
William Caterino (2016)  
Heidi Jaarsma Ex Officio  
Fred Weld (2017)  
Christine Heins (2017)  
Marcia Clark (2017)

## **Town Forest Committee – by Selectmen**

Virginia Prince, Chairman  
Loel Callahan  
Ed Woodbury  
John Hammond, for Selectmen  
Jim Fitch

## **Capital Equipment Committee – by**

Selectmen	Mike Duval
Wayne Gray	Scott Baker
Dan Flynn	Richard Heim
Tom Spaulding	Larry Dingee
Reyer Jaarsma	James Fitch

## **Energy Committee – by Selectmen**

Mary Boyle, Chair	Nancy Wightman
Pat Pinkson-Burke	William Cable
Martha Zoerheide	George Edson
Janice Orion	

## **Wetlands Wildlife Committee-by**

Selectmen	Troy Simino
James Fitch	Frank Parks

## **Ct. River Resource Committee – Local**

River Subcommittee – by Selectmen  
Vacant

## **Overseers of Covered Bridges – by**

Selectmen	
Leo Maslan	Richard Thompson

## **Surveyors of Wood, Bark & Lumber – 1**

year	
Gwyn Gallagher	Leo Maslan
Jim Fitch	Richard Thompson
Reyer Jaarsma	James Neil
Fred Weld	Bill Ladd
Troy Simino	

## **Emergency Office Liaison to 911– by**

Selectmen  
Dale Lawrence

## **Emergency Management Director – by**

Selectmen  
Paul Whalen

## **Spirit Committee – by Selectmen**

Colleen O'Neill	Caroline Storrs
Shelly Brookings	Christine Heins

## **Librarian – by Trustees of the Library**

Brenda Freeland

## **Fence Viewers – 1 year**

Henry Homeyer	Jon Woodhull
Bill Gallagher	Rob Jaarsma
Leo Maslan	

## **Hog Reeves – 1 year**

Thomas & Linda Spaulding  
Mary Curtis  
John & Meg Bertolami  
Allie Hodgdon

## **Selectmen's Special Agent – by Selectmen**

John Hammond

## **Auditors – by Selectmen**

Rowley & Associates

## **STATE APPOINTMENTS**

### **Health Officer – Jeff Katchen**

### **Deputy Health Officer – Ginny Prince**

### **Forest Fire Warden – Scott Reuthe**

### **Forest Fire Deputy Wardens**

Leo Maslan	Jim Guy
Leland Atwood	Bill Fitts
Dale Rook	

**2015 CORNISH TOWN WARRANT  
THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE**

To the inhabitants of the Town of Cornish, in the County of Sullivan, in said State, qualified to vote in town affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the School Gymnasium in said Cornish on Tuesday the 10<sup>th</sup> of March, next at 10:00 of the clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects:

Article 1 & 2 of the Warrant will be acted upon at 10:00am. Voting will be by official ballot and checklist, and the polls will be open for this purpose and will remain open from 10:00am until 7:00pm, at which time the polls will close. The business portion of Town Meeting will begin at 12:00noon. Articles 3 through 27 will be acted upon at that time.

**Article 1:** To choose all necessary Town Officers for the ensuing year.

**Article 2:** Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 1 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Cornish Zoning Ordinance as follows: The Planning Board's Amendment No. 1 replaces the map titled *Cornish Zoning of 1992* with the *Cornish, NH, Zoning District Map of 2015*. The *Cornish, NH, Zoning District Map of 2015* is a digitized copy of the map titled *Cornish Zoning of 1992*. Zoning District boundaries of the *Cornish, NH, Zoning District Map of 2015* remain as show in the *Cornish Zoning of 1992* map.

**Article 3:** To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray Town charges for the ensuing year and make appropriation of the same.

a) Town Office	56,840
b) Tax Collector	13,058
c) Town Clerk	12,669
d) Election, Vital Statistics	2,625
e) Audit Town Books	9,300
f) Revaluation of Property	7,500
g) Legal Expenses	5,000
h) Planning Board	1,977
i) Zoning Board of Adjustment	450
j) Building & Grounds	24,296
k) Cemeteries & Perpetual Care	18,870
l) Insurance(Property/Liability)	40,000
m) Records Preservation	50
n) Spirit Committee	500
o) Police Department	83,361
p) Ambulance	16,352
q) Fire Department	45,300
r) Emergency Management	50
s) Septage	2,500
t) Recycling	15,000



u) Hazardous Waste	1000
v) Human Services	17,225
w) Parks & CREA Land	6,370
x) Memorial Day	750
y) Conservation Commission	750
z) Interest-Tax Anticipation Notes	2,000

**Article 4:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,500 to be placed in the Conservation Commission Fund. (Submitted by the Selectmen.) (The Selectmen recommend passage of this article.)

**Article 5:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$13,997 for the support and operation of the Public Library. (Submitted by the Selectmen.) (The Selectmen recommend passage of this article.)

**Article 6:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$55,000 to be placed in the Highway Heavy Equipment Capital Reserve Fund. (Submitted by the Selectmen.) (The Selectmen recommend passage of this article.)

**Article 7:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$35,000 to be placed in the Fire Department Capital Reserve Fund. (Submitted by the Selectmen.) (The Selectmen recommend passage of this article.)

**Article 8:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,000 to be placed in the Police Department Capital Reserve Fund. (Submitted by the Selectmen.) (The Selectmen recommend passage of this article.)

**Article 9:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$12,000 to be placed in the Appraisal Capital Reserve Fund. (Submitted by the Selectmen.) (The Selectmen recommend passage of this article.)

**Article 10:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,000 to be placed in the Library Capital Reserve Fund. (Submitted by the Selectmen.) (The Selectmen recommend passage of this article.)

**Article 11:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000 to be placed in the Town Bridge Capital Reserve Fund. (Submitted by the Selectmen.) (The Selectmen recommend passage of this article.)

**Article 12:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$50,000 to be placed in the Paving Capital Reserve Fund. (Submitted by the Selectmen.) (The Selectmen recommend passage of this article.)

**Article 13:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000 to be placed in the Building Capital Maintenance and Improvement Fund. (Submitted by the Selectmen.) (The Selectmen recommend passage of this article.)

**Article 14:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,000 to be placed in the Cemetery Department Capital Reserve Fund. (Submitted by the Selectmen.) (The Selectmen recommend passage of this article.)

**Article 15:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$555,287 for the maintenance of Class V Highways and Bridges, and snow removal from town buildings and school grounds. The sum of \$469,220 shall be raised by taxes for the maintenance of Class V Highways and Bridges (and above mentioned snow removal), and up to \$86,067 to be received from the State as Highway Block Grant Funds for special maintenance projects on Class V Highways and Bridges. (Submitted by the Selectmen.) (The Selectmen recommend passage of this article.)

**Article 16:** By petition to see if the Town will vote to direct the Selectmen to prohibit hunting or trapping, by the general public, on the town land known as the Cornish Recreation & Education Area (CREA).

**Article 17:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$43,000 for the purchase of a truck for the Cemetery Department to come from unassigned fund balance. (Submitted by the Selectmen.) (The Selectmen recommend passage of this article.)

**Article 18:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate up to the sum of \$5,500 for Town Hall and Little Town Hall building maintenance and to authorize the Selectmen to withdraw up to \$5,500 from the Building Capital Maintenance and Improvement Fund created for that purpose. (Submitted by the Selectmen.) (The Selectmen recommend passage of this article.)

**Article 19:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,425 to be placed in the Police Department Capital Reserve Fund. Said fund to come from the unassigned fund balance. This amount represents the proceeds from the sale of the Durango Police Cruiser. (Submitted by the Selectmen.) (The Selectmen recommend the passage of this article.)

**Article 20:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$30,000 for the repair of the abutment under the Chase Hill Bridge and to authorize the withdrawal of up to \$30,000 from the Bridge Capital Reserve Fund created for that purpose. (Submitted by the Selectmen.) (The Selectmen recommend the passage of this article.)

**Article 21:** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$35,750 for the purchase of a new police cruiser with \$4,200 to come from the unassigned fund balance (representing donations collected in the previous year) and furthermore with \$31,550 to come from donations and grants received in the current or future year with no moneys to be raised from taxes. This is a non-lapsing article. (Submitted by the Selectmen.) (The Selectmen recommend passage of this article.)

**Article 22:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$75,000 for paving and to authorize the Selectmen to withdraw up to \$75,000 from the Paving Capital Reserve Fund



created for that purpose. (Submitted by the Selectmen.) (The Selectmen recommend passage of this article.)

**Article 23:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,500 to make improvements in the Town Forest and to authorize the expenditure of gifts, grants or timber proceeds for this purpose. No part of this appropriation shall come from tax dollars. (Submitted by the Selectmen.) (The Selectmen recommend passage of this article.)

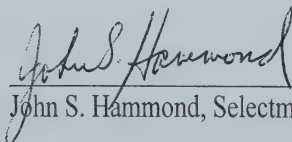
**Article 24:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$750 for the repair, maintenance and improvement of Trinity Church and its grounds, with said funds to come from the Trinity Church Special Revenue Fund. (Submitted by the Selectmen.) (The Selectmen recommend passage of this article.)


**Article 25:** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the prepayment of taxes and to permit the Tax Collector to accept prepayment of taxes as authorized under RSA 80:52a. (Submitted by the Selectmen.) (The Selectmen recommend passage of this article.)

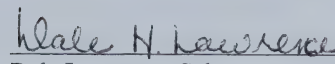
**Article 26:** To hear reports of Officers, Agents, Auditors, and Committees heretofore chosen, and pass any vote in relation thereto.

**Article 27:** To transact other business that may legally come before this meeting.

**Given under our hand and seal this 20<sup>th</sup> day of February, in the year of our Lord Two Thousand and Fifteen.**

 2/20/15  
John S. Hammond, Selectman

 2-20-15  
Scott Baker, Selectman

 2-20-15  
Dale Lawrence, Selectman

**Cornish, New Hampshire**  
**Town Meeting Minutes**  
**March 11, 2014**

The Cornish Town Meeting was held on Tuesday, March 11, 2014. Moderator Gwyn Gallagher opened the polls at 8:00 am to begin the voting session for Town Officers and Special State election for Executive Councilor. Polls were open from 8:00 am to 7:00 pm for voting. Gwyn Gallagher noted that the Warrant was properly certified and that all members of the Selectboard signatures were properly displayed at the end of the warrant. Moderator then read the Town Warrant in its entirety. Supervisors of the checklist were present as well as Town Clerk, and all checklists were properly signed. Ballot clerks present were: Judy Rook, Dale Rook, Lois Fitts, Marion Stone, Reigh Sweetser and Melanie Aguiar. The business portion of the meeting was called to order at 12:04 with a pledge of allegiance led by Veterans and the Boy Scouts followed by a prayer by Reverend Dale Nicholas. Selectboard present were: Merilynn Bourne (chair), John Hammond and Scott Baker.

Article 1: To choose all necessary Town Officers for the ensuing year and to bring in your votes for Executive Councilor.

Selectman (3 years).....	Dale Lawrence-237
Trustee of the Trust Funds (3 years).....	Richard Simons-380
Town Treasurer (1 year).....	Heidi Jaarsma-411
Highway Agent (1 year).....	Wayne Gray-324
Tax Collector (1 year).....	Reigh Sweetser-432
Sexton (1 year).....	Thomas Spaulding-393
Library Trustee (3 years).....	Richard Scheuer-389
Moderator (2 years).....	Gwyn Gallagher-421
Office of Welfare (1 year).....	Pamela Annis-394
Supervisors of Checklist (6 years).....	Leland Atwood-412

Executive Councilor:	Cryans.....255
	Kenney....185

Article 2: To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray Town charges for the ensuing year and make appropriations of the same.

- (a) Town Office - John Hammond moved that the Town raise and appropriate \$56,310. The motion was seconded by Merilynn Bourne and was voted on in the affirmative.
- (b) Tax Collector - Merilynn Bourne moved that the Town raise and appropriate \$13,058. The motion was seconded by John Hammond and was voted on in the affirmative.
- (c) Town Clerk - John Hammond moved that the Town raise and appropriate \$12,689. The motion was seconded by Scott Baker and was voted on in the affirmative.
- (d) Election, Registration, Vital Statistics - Jim Lukash moved that the Town raise and



- appropriate \$6,700. The motion was seconded by John Hammond and was voted on in the affirmative.
- (e) Audit Town Books- Bill Caterino moved that the Town raise and appropriate \$9,050. The motion was seconded by Merilynn Bourne and was voted on in the affirmative.
  - (f) Revaluation of Property-Fred Sullivan moved that the Town raise and appropriate \$7,500. The motion was seconded by Scott Baker and was voted on in the affirmative.
  - (g) Legal Expenses- Scott Baker moved that the Town raise and appropriate \$5,000. The motion was seconded by John Hammond and was voted on in the affirmative.
  - (h) Planning Board- John Scott moved that the Town raise and appropriate \$1,977. The motion was seconded by Heidi Jaarsma and was voted on in the affirmative.
  - (i) Zoning Board of Adjustment- Sharon Atwood that the Town raise and appropriate \$450. The motion was seconded by John Hammond and was voted on in the affirmative.
  - (j) Building & Grounds - Dan Flynn moved that the Town raise and appropriate \$23,790. The motion was seconded by John Hammond and was voted on in the affirmative.
  - (k) Cemeteries and Perpetual Care - Sharon Atwood moved that the Town raise and appropriate \$21,908. The motion was seconded by Troy Simino. Merilynn Bourne made a motion to amend the motion down to \$18,868. John Hammond seconded the motion, and the amendment to the motion was voted in the affirmative. Moderator Gallagher called the vote on the amended main motion that the Town raise and appropriate \$18,868 for cemeteries and perpetual care, and the vote was in the affirmative.
  - (l) Insurance (Property/Liability) - Merilynn Bourne moved that Town raise and appropriate \$48,000. The motion was seconded by Sharon Atwood. Merilynn Bourne made a motion to amend the amount down by \$10,000 to \$38,000. The motion was seconded by Doug Thayer, and the amendment was voted in the affirmative. Moderator Gallagher called the vote on the amended main motion that the Town raise and appropriate \$38,000 for Insurance (property/liability), and the vote was in the affirmative.
  - (m) Upper Valley Lake Sunapee Regional Planning Commission (UVLSRPC) - Fred Sullivan moved that the Town raise and appropriate \$0. The motion was seconded by Shirley Sullivan. Merilynn Bourne explained that the Selectboard felt this could be left out since the organization seems to focus on larger towns in the area. Moderator Gallagher called the vote, and the vote was in the affirmative.
  - (n) Records Preservation - Merilynn Bourne moved that the Town raise and appropriate \$50. The motion was seconded by Christine Heins and was voted on in the affirmative.
  - (o) Spirit Committee- Colleen O'Neill moved that the Town raise and appropriate \$500. The motion was seconded by Shirley Sullivan and was voted on in the affirmative.

- (p) Police Department - Sharon Atwood moved that the Town raise and appropriate \$85,794. The motion was seconded by Bill Fitts. Merilynn Bourne made a motion to amend the amount down to \$83,469 to correct a printing error. The amendment was seconded by Doug Hackett. Doug Hackett stated that there will be an Officer available during the day in Cornish. He felt that with the increase in crime as well as other issues that are upon us, it is necessary for day time coverage. The amendment was voted in the affirmative. Moderator Gallagher called for a vote on the amended main motion, to raise and appropriate \$83,469 for the Police Department, and the vote was in the affirmative.
- (q) Ambulance - Chris Chilton moved that the Town raise and appropriate \$16,352. The motion was seconded by Bill Fitts and was voted on in the affirmative.
- (r) Fire Department - John Hammond moved that the Town raise and appropriate \$43,890. The motion was seconded by Bill Fitts and was voted on in the affirmative.
- (s) Emergency Management-John Hammond moved that the Town raise and appropriate \$50. The motion was seconded by Bill Fitts and was voted on in the affirmative.
- (t) Septage - Michael Monette moved that the Town raise and appropriate \$2,500. The motion was seconded by John Hammond and was voted on in the affirmative.
- (u) Recycling - John Scott moved that the Town raise and appropriate \$13,000. The motion was seconded by Merilynn Bourne and was voted on in the affirmative.
- (v) Hazardous Waste - Patrick Pinkson-Burke moved that the Town raise and appropriate \$1,300. The motion was seconded by Shirley Sullivan and was voted on in the affirmative.
- (w) Human Services - Christine Heins moved that the Town raise and appropriate \$17,070. The motion was seconded by Merilynn Bourne and was voted on in the affirmative.
- (x) Parks & CREA Land - John Hammond moved that the Town raise and appropriate \$6,370. The motion was seconded by Sharon Atwood and was voted on in the affirmative.
- (y) Memorial Day - Jim Lukash moved that the Town raise and appropriate \$750. The motion was seconded by Nancy Newbold and was voted on in the affirmative.
- (z) Conservation Commission Expense- Bill Fitts moved that the Town raise and appropriate \$750. The motion was seconded by Jim Neil and was voted on in the affirmative.
- (z1) Interest-Tax Anticipation Notes- Bill Caterino moved that the Town raise and appropriate \$2,000. The motion was seconded by Heidi Jaarsma and was voted on in the affirmative.
- (z2) County Tax- Cheston Newbold moved that the Town raise and appropriate the necessary amount. The motion was seconded by Heidi Jaarsma. Heidi Jaarsma stated that there



should be a report submitted from the county in next year's town report showing where the money is spent. The motion was voted on in the affirmative.

Article 3: Jim Barker moved that the Town raise and appropriate \$4,500 to be placed in the Conservation Commission Fund. The motion was seconded by Merilynn Bourne and was voted on in the affirmative.

Article 4: John Scott moved that the Town raise and appropriate \$14,021 for the support and operation of the Public Library. The motion was seconded by Helen Lovell and was voted on in the affirmative.

Article 5: Becky Flynn moved that the Town raise and appropriate \$55,000 to be placed in the Highway Heavy Equipment Capital Reserve Fund. The motion was seconded by Michael Monette and was voted on in the affirmative.

Article 6: Paul Whalen moved that the Town raise and appropriate \$22,000 to be placed in the Fire Department Capital Reserve Fund. The motion was seconded by Jim Lukash. Paul Whalen made a motion to amend this amount to \$35,000 (an increase of \$13,000). Amended motion was seconded by Michael Monette. Paul Whalen explained that the town possibly will need to replace another Fire Truck in 2018, and there will not be enough money in the Capital Reserve fund to offset costs. Fred Sullivan voiced why this was not brought to the Selectmen's attention and put on the ballot. Selectboard Chair stated that they did have a discussion, but the Selectboard thought the tax rate was already going up and maybe this was not the year increase the annual appropriation to this capital reserve fund. The amendment to the motion carried by a hand vote. (Yes 54; No 41) Moderator declared that the vote was in the affirmative. Moderator Gallagher called a vote on the amended main motion to raise and appropriate \$35,000 to be placed in the Fire Department Capital Reserve Fund, and the vote on the main motion was in the affirmative.

Article 7: Jim Lukash moved that the Town raise and appropriate \$4,000 to be placed in the Police Department Capital Reserve Fund. The motion was seconded by Sharon Atwood and was voted on in the affirmative.

Article 8: Fred Sullivan moved that the Town raise and appropriate \$10,000 to be placed in the Appraisal Capital Reserve Fund. The motion was seconded by John Hammond and was voted on in the affirmative.

Article 9: Helen Lovell moved that the Town raise and appropriate \$2,000 to be placed in the Library Capital Reserve Fund. The motion was seconded by Shirley Sullivan and was voted on in the affirmative.

Article 10: Dan Flynn moved that the Town raise and appropriate \$10,000 to be placed in the Town Bridge Capital Reserve Fund. The motion was seconded by John Hammond and was voted on in the affirmative.

Article 11: Mike Monette made a motion to put Article 15 in front of Article 11. The motion

was seconded by Bill Wall. Mr. Monette thought that Article 15 should be decided on before Article 11 since it would have an impact on Article 11. Michael Fuerst voiced concern in taking articles out of order and asked that the motion be reconsidered. Michael Monette and Bill Wall withdrew their motions. Dan Flynn moved that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$556,930 for the maintenance of Class V Highways and Bridges, and snow removal from town buildings and school grounds. The sum of \$472,045 shall be raises by taxes for the maintenance of Class V Highways and Bridges(and above mentioned snow removal), and up to \$84,885 to be received from the State as Highway Block Grant Funds for special maintenance projects on Class V Highways and Bridges. Helen Lovell seconded this motion. Bill Wall made a motion to cut the budget by \$20,000. The motion was seconded by Brian Meyette. Selectboard noted that the increase is due to the grader needing six new tires and the purchase gravel this year as the MacLeay pit is closed. Also, depending on who gets voted in for road agent, the health insurance will go up. The motion to amend was voted in the negative and did not carry. Moderator Gallagher called for a vote on the main motion, and the vote was in the affirmative.

Article 12: Ruth Rollins moved that we ask the Town if we shall place a question on the state election ballot to change polling hours so that polls shall open at 8 am and close at 8 pm for all regular state elections beginning November 4, 2014. The motion was seconded by Merilynn Bourne. Merilynn Bourne moved to amend the polling times from 8 am to 7 pm so that the times match Federal and State elections. The motion was seconded by Ruth Rollins. The amendment was voted in the affirmative. Moderator Gallagher called for a vote on the amended main motion, and the vote was in the affirmative.

Article 13: Susan Cass moved that the Town vote to authorize the Board of Selectman to appoint rather than elect a Road Agent as allowed by RSA 231:62. If passed this article will become effective on the date of March 2015 Town Meeting. The motion was seconded by Paige Bourne. Jim Lukash urged the selectman that if this passes, the current road agent should have priority in the position. Merilynn Bourne said that they cannot say for sure if they would keep the current road agent. Fred Sullivan opposed this article as the road agent will have to answer to the Selectboard and not the people of Cornish. Selectboard said that this position would now be open to more qualified personnel, whether the candidate would be a resident or not. Moderator Gallagher called for a vote, and the vote was in the affirmative.

Article 14: Christine Heins moved that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$25,000 for the repair of the abutment under the Chase Hill Bridge and to authorize the withdrawal of up to \$25,000 from the Bridge Capital Reserve Fund created for that purpose. The motion was seconded by Sharon Atwood and was voted on in the affirmative.

Article 15: Bill Wall moved that the Town will vote to create a Paving Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purpose of paving town roads and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$50,000 to be added to this fund for this purpose and to name the Selectman as agents. The motion was seconded by Merilynn Bourne. Several people voiced concerns about repaving roads that do not have a proper foundation base for pavement. Several people suggested alternate material instead of paving and starting with a proper base. Selectboard Chair stated whatever the town decides to do there has to be money to properly



do the job. Merilynn Bourne stated that the Selectboard is going to work with the new Road Agent to adopt a 12 month and 5 year road plan. Dan Flynn stated that the Town has 23 miles of paved roads. The Moderator called for a voice vote, and the vote was in the affirmative.

Article 16: Fred Sullivan moved that the Town raise and appropriate \$47,200 to perform a full update of property values and to authorize selectman to withdraw the amount from the Appraisal Capital Reserve Fund. The motion was seconded by Jim Neil and was voted in the affirmative.

Article 17: Christine Heins moved that the Town vote to create a Building Capital Maintenance and Improvement Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purpose of capital maintenance and improvement on town buildings and to raise and to appropriate the sum of \$10,000 for this purpose with of \$4,862 of said amount to come from fund balance representing the revenues from the sale of 250<sup>th</sup> merchandise and the remaining balance of \$5,138 to come from general taxation and to name the Selectman as agents. The motion was seconded by Scott Baker and was voted on in the affirmative.

Article 18: Shirley Sullivan moved that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$6,500 for the purchase of a sander for the Highway Department F550 truck and to authorize the Selectman to withdraw up to \$6,500 from the Highway Capital Reserve Fund created for that purpose. The motion was seconded by Dan Flynn and voted on in the affirmative.

Article 19: Christine Heins moved that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$20,000 for the purchase of a riding lawn mower for the Cemetery Department with \$4,000 to be withdrawn from the Cemetery Capital Reserve Fund created for that purpose and remaining balance of \$16,000 to come from general taxation. The motion was seconded by John Hammond and voted in the affirmative.

Article 20: Merilynn Bourne moved that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,100 for digital mapping services. The motion was seconded by Troy Simino. Merilynn mentioned that Avitar would provide this service. UNH did some preliminary digitizing work for the Town at no cost and because of this the price through Avitar is not as much as it would have been. This information would allow website access to the records. The motion was voted in the affirmative.

Article 21: Fred Sullivan moved that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$6,000 for building maintenance, repairs and improvements to the Library and to authorize the Selectmen to withdraw the sum of \$6,000 from the Library Capital Reserve Fund created for this purpose. The motion was seconded by Sharon Atwood and voted on in the affirmative.

Article 22: Bill Gallagher moved that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,500 to make improvements in the Town Forest and to authorize the expenditure of gifts, grants or timber proceeds for this purpose. No part of this appropriation shall come from tax dollars. The motion was seconded by Bill Caterino and was voted on in the affirmative.

Article 23: Shirley Sullivan moved that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$750 for the

repair, maintenance and improvement of Trinity Church and its grounds, with said funds to come from the Trinity Church Special Revenue Fund. The motion was seconded by Helen Lovell and was voted on in the affirmative.

Article 24: Sally Wellborn moved that the Town of Cornish designate Paget Road a Scenic Road as provided by the NH RSA Sections 231:157 and 231:158 (submitted by petition). Joan Baillargeon seconded the motion. Sally Wellborn expressed concern that the roads were not taken care of in terms of preserving stone walls and trees and surrounding landscape. Many of the people living there urged people to vote for this article. It was noted that municipalities and utilities have to go through a hearing process before work is done. Landowners can do what they want. Moderator Gallagher called for a vote on the motion, and the vote was in the affirmative.

Article 25: Jim Barker moved to see if the Town will vote to urge the New Hampshire State Legislature to join with sixteen other states, including all other New England states, in calling upon Congress to amend the United States Constitution and establish that: 1: Constitutional rights were established for people, not corporations, and 2: Money is not speech, and therefore regulating political contributions and spending is not equivalent to limiting political speech. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the people of Cornish, NH, hereby instruct our Town Clerk to inform our state and federal representatives of the results of this vote within thirty days, and urge them to enact resolutions and legislation to advance this effort (submitted by petition). John Scott seconded this motion. People on the floor thought that this should have been on the ballot so everyone would have a chance to vote on it. People voiced that corporations have free speech as well as citizens and should not be excluded. Moderator did a hand vote, and the vote was in the affirmative (Yes 40; No 31).

Article 26: Jim Neil moved to see if the Town will vote to authorize the prepayment of taxes and to permit the Tax Collector to accept prepayment of taxes as authorized under RSA 80:52a. Susan Cass seconded and the vote was in the affirmative.

Article 27: Doug Thayer moved to hear reports of Officers, Agents, Auditors, and Committees heretofore chosen, and pass any vote in relation thereto. Susan Cass seconded the motion.

- (a) Colleen O'Neill brought up the 250<sup>th</sup> anniversary time box that Nate Cass made for Town people put items in so in fifty years from now it can be opened. The box will be stored in the Town Vault. She mentioned all the activities that had happened in the past year and expressed thanks for all that helped with planning and participation.
- (b) Conservation Committee Yearly Award was given to the Upper Valley Land Trust as they have helped the Town of Cornish with many decisions and easements.
- (c) Selectboard asked the people at the town meeting how they felt the CREA land should be used, especially their thoughts on using the CREA property for hunting. Some were for it and others were very against its use for hunting.



- (d) Troy Simino stated that the property should be used as multi-use property and that hunting is a recreational sport.
- (e) He thought that certain areas could be posted. Many thought there were enough other places to hunt in town without using the CREA land and should keep it just for walking/hiking and use by the school children.
- (f) The voice vote to this question of allowing hunting on CREA property was a no.
- (g) Linda Fuerst mentioned that the Conservation Commission has come up with a management maintenance plan which will be at the town offices for people to view.

Article 28: To transact other business that may legally come before this meeting.

Heidi Jaarsma moved that the County put a financial report or executive summary of the financial in the Cornish Annual Town Report. The motion was seconded by Reigh Sweetser and voted in the affirmative.

Hog Reeves: moved by John Hammond and seconded by Scott Baker and voted on in the affirmative.

Caleb Bedford	Ashley and Rick Cunningham
Helen Lovell	Kathy and Al DiAntonio
Heather and Michael Meeks	Deanna Meadows and Cory Fitch

Surveyors of Wood Bark & Lumber: moved by Bill Fitts and seconded by Scott Baker and voted in the affirmative.

Gwyn Gallagher	Leo Maslan
Jim Fitch	James Neil
Reyer Jaarsma	Troy Simino
Bill Ladd	Richard Thompson

Fence Viewers: moved by Troy Simino and seconded by Susan Cass and voted in the affirmative.

Shane Smith	Bill Gallagher
Bill Ladd	Leo Maslan
Henry Homeyer	Rob Jaarsma

Respectfully submitted,



Paula Harthan  
Cornish Town Clerk

**2015 Budget**  
**General Fund Balance Sheet 12/31/2014**

	December 2014	December 2013
<b>ASSETS</b>		
Cash & Short Term Investments	1,570,436	1,473,705
Petty Cash	200	200
Due from State of NH/FEMA	0	44,237
Uncollected Property Taxes	277,072	269,638
Uncollected Yield Taxes	570	0
Unredeemed Taxes	54,725	33,711
Allowance for Refunds and Abatements	(39,546)	(44,056)
Deeded Property Held for Resale	21,577	20,260
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>1,885,034</b>	<b>1,797,695</b>
<b>LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE</b>		
Due to School District	1,114,245	1,183,948
Due to Conservation Fund	8,748	5,004
Due to Town Forest	498	448
Due to Trinity Church SRF	1,765	1,491
Due to CREA Bridge Repair	1,554	1,554
Retirement Withholding	3,121	3,474
Health Insurance Withholding	11,471	0
Deferred Tax Revenue	33	5,522
Reserve for Deeded Property	21,577	20,260
Fund Balance:		
Assigned: Reserved for Encumbrances	0	12,535
Unassigned:	722,022	563,460
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES &amp; FUND BALANCE</b>	<b>1,885,034</b>	<b>1,797,695</b>



# Statement of Revenues 2015 Budget

	2104 Final Est.	2104 Actual	Estimate Over(Under)	2015 Proposed	Proposed Over(Under)
<b>TAXES</b>					
Land Use Change Taxes	4,392	5,832	1,440	0	(4,392)
Yield Taxes	6,500	7,389	889	7,000	500
Paymt in Lieu of Taxes	16,381	16,381	0	16,381	0
Interest & Penalty on Taxes	25,000	25,763	763	28,000	3,000
Excavation Tax	310	310	0	0	(310)
<b>LICENSES, PERMITS AND FEES</b>					
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	262,000	282,431	20,431	275,000	13,000
Building Permits	1,260	1,410	150	1,250	(10)
Dog Licenses and Fines	1,800	1,831	31	1,800	0
Other Permits and Fees	400	470	70	450	50
<b>STATE OF NH &amp; FEDERAL</b>					
Shared Revenues-Rooms	79,307	79,307	(0)	79,307	0
Shared Revenue-BPT	0	0	0	0	0
Highway Block Grant	85,711	86,019	308	86,067	356
Bridge Aid	0	0	0	0	0
Railroad Tax & Other	778	778	0	778	0
State Grants	0	125	125	0	0
Due from NH/FEMA	0	56,006	56,006	0	0
<b>CHARGES FOR SERVICES</b>					
Zoning Board Fees	0	0	0	0	0
Planning Board Fees	525	772	247	500	(25)
Zoning/Subdivision Reg. Sales	0	0	0	0	0
Cemetery	275	360	85	200	(75)
Burial Fees	0	0	0	0	0
Highway Dept. Income	0	0	0	0	0
Police Dept. Income	9,000	9,154	154	9,100	100
Fire Dept. Income	0	0	0	0	0
Recycling Income	7,000	7,984	984	7,500	500
<b>MISCELLANEOUS SOURCES</b>					
Sale of Town Property	0	9,276	9,276	0	0
Rental of Town Property	800	900	100	800	0
Interest on Investments	125	130	5	125	0
Insurance Refund/Dividend	4,034	7,130	3,095	0	(4,034)
Town Forest	1,500	0	(1,500)	1,500	0
Other Sources	1,000	1,408	408	1,000	0
Police Cruiser donation	0	4,000	4,000	31,550	31,550
Town 250	0	105	105	0	0
<b>OPERATING TRANSFERS IN</b>					
Special Revenue Fund	750	175	(575)	750	0
Trust	1,500	1,500	0	1,500	0
Capital Reserve Funds	88,700	67,180	(21,520)	110,500	21,800
<b>OTHER FINANCING SOURCES</b>					
Use of Fund Balance	4,862	4,862	0	49,625	44,763
<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>	<b>603,910</b>	<b>678,987</b>	<b>75,077</b>	<b>710,683</b>	<b>106,773</b>

2014 SUMMARY OF APPROPRIATIONS EXPENDITURES w/ 2015 PROPOSED

TOWN OF CORNISH

	2014	2014	2014	2015	2015	
	Final	Actual	Over	Proposed	Increase	
	Approp	Expend	(Under)	Budget	(Decrease)	
<b>TOWN GOVERNMENT</b>						
Town Office	56,310	57,471	1,161	56,840	530	
Tax Collector	13,058	12,102	(956)	13,058	0	
Town Clerk	12,689	12,726	37	12,669	(20)	
Elections	6,700	4,416	(2,284)	2,625	(4,075)	
Audit	9,050	9,096	46	9,300	250	
Appraisal Fees	7,500	5,629	(1,871)	7,500	0	
Legal	5,000	2,737	(2,263)	5,000	0	
Planning Board	1,977	1,829	(148)	1,977	0	
Zoning Board	450	0	(450)	450	0	
Buildings	23,790	35,544	11,754	24,296	506	
Cemeteries	18,868	18,423	(445)	18,870	2	
Insurance	38,000	26,008	(11,992)	40,000	2,000	
Records Preservation	50	0	(50)	50	0	
Spirit Comm	500	242	(258)	500	0	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>193,942</b>	<b>186,222</b>	<b>(7,720)</b>	<b>193,135</b>	<b>(807)</b>	
<b>PUBLIC SAFETY</b>						
Police Dept	83,469	83,333	(136)	83,361	(108)	
Ambulance	16,352	16,349	(3)	16,352	0	
Fire Dept	43,890	32,943	(10,947)	45,300	1,410	
Emergency Mgmt	50	2,400	2,350	50	0	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>143,761</b>	<b>135,025</b>	<b>(8,736)</b>	<b>145,063</b>	<b>1,302</b>	
<b>HIGHWAY DEPT</b>						
Class V Roads - Art. 14	556,930	535,996	(20,934)	555,287	(1,643)	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>556,930</b>	<b>535,996</b>	<b>(20,934)</b>	<b>555,287</b>	<b>(1,643)</b>	
<b>SANITATION</b>						
Septage	2,500	2,460	(40)	2,500	0	
Recycling	13,000	15,079	2,079	15,000	2,000	
Hazardous Waste	1,300	627	(673)	1,000	(300)	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>16,800</b>	<b>18,166</b>	<b>1,366</b>	<b>18,500</b>	<b>1,700</b>	



2014 SUMMARY OF APPROPRIATIONS EXPENDITURES w/ 2015 PROPOSED

TOWN OF CORNISH

	2014	2014	2014	2015	2015	
	Final	Actual	Over	Proposed	Increase	
	Approp	Expend	(Under)	Budget	(Decrease)	
<b>HEALTH and</b>						
<b>HUMAN SERVICES</b>	17,070	15,364	(1,706)	17,225	155	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>17,070</b>	<b>15,364</b>	<b>(1,706)</b>	<b>17,225</b>	<b>155</b>	
<b>COMMUNITY &amp; RECREATION</b>						
Parks & CREA Land	6,370	5,250	(1,120)	6,370	0	
Memorial Day	750	321	(429)	750	0	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>7,120</b>	<b>5,571</b>	<b>(1,549)</b>	<b>7,120</b>	<b>0</b>	
<b>CONSERVATION</b>						
Conservation Comm	750	750	0	750	0	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>750</b>	<b>750</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>750</b>	<b>0</b>	
<b>INTEREST</b>						
Tax Anticipation Notes	2,000	0	(2,000)	2,000	0	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>2,000</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>(2,000)</b>	<b>2,000</b>	<b>0</b>	
<b>OPERATING TRANSFERS</b>						
Conservation - Art. 4	4,500	4,500	0	4,500	0	
Library Fund - Art. 5	14,021	14,021	0	13,997	(24)	
Highway Capital - Art. 6	55,000	55,000	0	55,000	0	
Fire Capital - Art. 7	35,000	35,000	0	35,000	0	
Police Capital - Art. 8	4,000	4,000	0	4,000	0	
Appraisal Capital - Art. 9	10,000	10,000	0	12,000	2,000	
Library Capital - Art. 10	2,000	2,000	0	2,000	0	
Bridge Capital - Art. 11	10,000	10,000	0	10,000	0	
Paving Capital - Art. 12	50,000	50,000	0	50,000	0	
Capital Bldg Maint - Art 13	10,000	10,000	0	10,000	0	
Cemetery Capital - Art. 14	0	0	0	4,000	4,000	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>194,521</b>	<b>194,521</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>200,497</b>	<b>5,976</b>	
<b>TOTAL before ART.</b>	<b>1,132,894</b>	<b>1,091,615</b>	<b>(41,279)</b>	<b>1,139,577</b>	<b>6,683</b>	<b>0.6%</b>

2014 SUMMARY OF APPROPRIATIONS EXPENDITURES w/ 2015 PROPOSED

TOWN OF CORNISH

	2014	2014	2014	2015	2015	
	Final	Actual	Over	Proposed	Increase	
	Approp	Expend	(Under)	Budget	(Decrease)	
ARTICLES						
Art. 14 2014 - Bridge Repair	25,000	0	(25,000)	0	0	
Art. 16 2014 - Update of Values	47,200	47,200	0	0	0	
Art. 18 2104 - Sander	6,500	6,500	0	0	0	
Art. 19 2014 - Cemetery Mower	20,000	13,550	(6,450)	0	0	
Art. 20 2014 - Mapping	3,100	3,100	0	0	0	
Art. 21 2014 - Library	6,000	1,627	(4,373)	0	0	
Art. 22 2014 - Town Forest	1,500	0	(1,500)	0	0	
Art. 23 2014 - Trinity Church	750	175	(575)	0	0	
Art 17 2015 - Cemetery Truck	0	0	0	43,000	0	
Art 18 2015 - Regular Bldg Maint	0	0	0	5,500	0	
Art 19 2015 - Sale of Durango	0	0	0	2,425	0	
Art 20 2015 - Chase Hill Bridge	0	0	0	30,000	0	
Art 21 2015 - Police Cruiser	0	0	0	35,750	0	
Art 22 2015 - Paving	0	0	0	75,000	0	
Art 23 2015 - Town Forest	0	0	0	1,500	0	
Art 24 2015 - Trinity Church	0	0	0	750	0	
TOTAL ARTICLES	110,050	72,152	(37,898)	193,925	83,875	
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	1,242,944	1,163,768	(79,176)	1,333,502	90,558	7.3%

2014 STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS and EXPENDITURES w/ 2015 PROPOSAL  
TOWN OF CORNISH

	2014 Final Approp	2014 Actual Expend	2014 Over (Under)	2015 Proposed Budget	2015 Increase (Decrease)	% Inc (Dec)
<b>(a) TOWN OFFICE</b>						
Salaries	26,400	26,306	(94)	26,800	400	1.5%
Salaries - Part Time	5,000	4,794	(206)	5,000	0	0.0%
Salary - Treasurer	3,000	3,000	0	3,000	0	0.0%
Salary - Dep Treas	100	100	0	100	0	0.0%
FICA	2,150	2,120	(30)	2,175	25	1.2%
Medicare	510	496	(14)	515	5	1.0%
Medical Ins. - Town	7,700	7,639	(61)	7,700	0	0.0%
Advertising	250	878	628	250	0	0.0%
Memberships	1,400	2,909	1,509	1,400	0	0.0%
Postage	600	661	61	750	150	25.0%
Software Leases	2,500	2,126	(374)	2,500	0	0.0%
Copier Lease	550	589	39	600	50	9.1%
Computer Expense	500	0	(500)	500	0	0.0%
Office Supplies	800	1,498	698	800	0	0.0%
Town Report	1,800	1,980	180	1,800	0	0.0%
Mileage	2,200	1,928	(272)	2,200	0	0.0%
Training & Educ	250	34	(216)	250	0	0.0%
Registry of Deeds	100	0	(100)	100	0	0.0%
Web Site	400	270	(130)	300	(100)	-25.0%
Misc Expense	100	143	43	100	0	0.0%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>56,310</b>	<b>57,471</b>	<b>1,161</b>	<b>56,840</b>	<b>530</b>	<b>0.9%</b>
<b>(b) TAX COLLECTOR</b>						
Salary	6,000	5,500	(500)	6,000	0	0.0%
Salary - Dep Tax Coll.	600	600	0	600	0	0.0%
FICA	500	438	(62)	500	0	0.0%
Medicare	120	102	(18)	120	0	0.0%
Memberships	25	0	(25)	25	0	0.0%
Postage	1,500	1,484	(16)	1,500	0	0.0%
Software Leases	1,903	1,903	0	1,903	0	0.0%
Computer Expense	300	153	(147)	300	0	0.0%
Office supplies	400	437	37	400	0	0.0%
Legal Research/Fees	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
Mileage	310	397	87	310	0	0.0%
Training & Education	50	0	(50)	50	0	0.0%
Tax Coll Fees & Liens	1,100	962	(138)	1,100	0	0.0%
Registry of Deeds	200	126	(74)	200	0	0.0%
Misc Expense	50	0	(50)	50	0	0.0%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>13,058</b>	<b>12,102</b>	<b>(956)</b>	<b>13,058</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.0%</b>



2014 STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS and EXPENDITURES w/ 2015 PROPOSAL  
TOWN OF CORNISH

	2014 Final Approp	2014 Actual Expend	2014 Over (Under)	2015 Proposed Budget	2015 Increase (Decrease)	% Inc (Dec)
<b>(c) TOWN CLERK</b>						
Salary - Clerk	1,800	1,800	0	1800	0	0.0%
Salary - Dep Clerk	600	600	0	600	0	0.0%
FICA	1,000	940	(60)	1000	0	0.0%
Medicare	250	220	(30)	250	0	0.0%
Memberships	25	20	(5)	25	0	0.0%
Postage	800	694	(106)	800	0	0.0%
Software Leases	2,574	2,574	0	2,574	0	0.0%
Computer Expense	250	0	(250)	250	0	0.0%
Office Supplies	300	374	74	300	0	0.0%
Dog Licenses	140	0	(140)	140	0	0.0%
Mileage	300	301	1	300	0	0.0%
Training & Education	200	150	(50)	200	0	0.0%
Veh Reg. Fees	4,300	4,268	(33)	4,300	0	0.0%
Marriage Lic. Fees	20	(6)	(26)	20	0	0.0%
Title Fees	20	(28)	(48)	20	0	0.0%
Wetland Fees	20	105	85	20	0	0.0%
Fish & Game Fees	20	0	(20)	0	(20)	-100.0%
Validation Fee	20	23	3	20	0	0.0%
Misc Expense	50	693	643	50	0	0.0%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>12,689</b>	<b>12,726</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>12,669</b>	<b>(20)</b>	<b>-0.2%</b>
<b>(d) ELECTIONS</b>						
Salaries	4,300	3,545	(755)	1,500	(2,800)	-65.1%
FICA	280	39	(241)	280	0	0.0%
Medicare	70	9	(61)	70	0	0.0%
Advertising	125	68	(57)	100	(25)	-20.0%
Postage	150	20	(130)	100	(50)	-33.3%
Computer Expense	1,000	703	(297)	0	(1,000)	-100.0%
Office Supplies	125	0	(125)	50	(75)	-60.0%
Election Expense	50	0	(50)	50	0	0.0%
Mileage	150	62	(88)	75	(75)	-50.0%
Misc Expense	50	0	(50)	50	0	0.0%
Vitals-State Fees	300	(18)	(318)	300	0	0.0%
Vitals-Town Clerk Fees	100	(12)	(112)	50	(50)	-50.0%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>6,700</b>	<b>4,416</b>	<b>(2,284)</b>	<b>2,625</b>	<b>(4,075)</b>	<b>-60.8%</b>
<b>(e) AUDIT</b>						
Town Audit	9,050	9,096	46	9,300	250	2.8%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>9,050</b>	<b>9,096</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>9,300</b>	<b>250</b>	<b>2.8%</b>
<b>(f) REVALUATION</b>						
Appraisal Fees	7,500	5,629	(1,871)	7,500	0	0.0%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>7,500</b>	<b>5,629</b>	<b>(1,871)</b>	<b>7,500</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.0%</b>
<b>(g) LEGAL</b>						
Legal Expense	5,000	2,737	(2,263)	5,000	0	0.0%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>5,000</b>	<b>2,737</b>	<b>(2,263)</b>	<b>5,000</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.0%</b>

2014 STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS and EXPENDITURES w/ 2015 PROPOSAL  
TOWN OF CORNISH

	2014 Final Approp	2014 Actual Expend	2014 Over (Under)	2015 Proposed Budget	2015 Increase (Decrease)	% Inc (Dec)
<b>(h) PLANNING BOARD</b>						
Salaries	1,000	1,000	0	1,000	0	0.0%
FICA	62	62	0	62	0	0.0%
Medicare	15	15	(0)	15	0	0.0%
Advertising	400	227	(173)	400	0	0.0%
Postage	200	182	(18)	200	0	0.0%
Mileage	50	25	(25)	50	0	0.0%
Training & Educ	150	34	(116)	150	0	0.0%
Misc Expense	100	285	185	100	0	0.0%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,977</b>	<b>1,829</b>	<b>(148)</b>	<b>1,977</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.0%</b>
<b>(i) ZONING BOARD</b>						
Salaries	150	0	(150)	150	0	0.0%
FICA	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
Medicare	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
Advertising	100	0	(100)	100	0	0.0%
Postage	150	0	(150)	150	0	0.0%
Training & Educ	50	0	(50)	50	0	0.0%
Misc Expense	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>450</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>(450)</b>	<b>450</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.0%</b>
<b>(j) BUILDINGS &amp; GROUNDS</b>						
Salaries - Town Hall	750	105	(645)	750	0	0.0%
Salaries - PT	4,500	5,027	527	4,500	0	0.0%
FICA	330	299	(31)	330	0	0.0%
Medicare	60	70	10	66	6	10.0%
FICA - Town Hall	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
Medicare - Town Hall	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
Phone - TO & TH	1,100	1,149	49	1,100	0	0.0%
Internet - Town Office	950	887	(63)	950	0	0.0%
Electric - Town Office	2,000	1,749	(251)	2,000	0	0.0%
Electric - Town Hall	2,500	2,866	366	2,500	0	0.0%
Heat - Town Office	3,500	5,692	2,192	4,000	500	14.3%
Heat - Town Hall	2,000	3,278	1,278	2,500	500	25.0%
Equipment Repair & Supplies	250	0	(250)	0	(250)	-100.0%
Trash	800	352	(448)	600	(200)	-25.0%
Misc Expense	50	9,480	9,430	2,950	2,900	5800.0%
Maint- Town Office	1,500	2,687	1,187	1,500	0	0.0%
Maint-Town Hall	2,500	679	(1,821)	2,500	0	0.0%
Cleaning - Town Hall	550	1,000	450	750	200	36.4%
Rugs	250	195	(55)	0	(250)	-100.0%
Maintenance Supplies	200	30	(170)	200	0	0.0%
Insurance Reimbursement	0	0	0	-2,900	(2,900)	n/a
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>23,790</b>	<b>35,544</b>	<b>11,754</b>	<b>24,296</b>	<b>506</b>	<b>2.1%</b>

2014 STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS and EXPENDITURES w/ 2015 PROPOSAL  
TOWN OF CORNISH

	2014 Final Approp	2014 Actual Expend	2014 Over (Under)	2015 Proposed Budget	2015 Increase (Decrease)	
<b>(k) CEMETERIES</b>						
Salaries	12,318	12,315	(3)	12,500	182	1.5%
FICA	770	764	(6)	785	15	1.9%
Medicare	180	179	(1)	185	5	2.8%
Tools	2,500	2,259	(241)	500	(2,000)	-80.0%
Gasoline	0	105	105	100	100	n/a
Diesel	1,450	1,542	92	1,500	50	3.4%
Hired Equipment	150	0	(150)	0	(150)	-100.0%
Misc Expense	75	19	(56)	75	0	0.0%
Cemetery Vehicle	800	479	(321)	500	(300)	-37.5%
Equipment Repair	400	405	5	425	25	6.3%
Maintenance Supplies	400	576	176	600	200	50.0%
Perpetual Care	1,500	800	(700)	1,500	0	0.0%
Sanderson Fund	175	0	(175)	0	(175)	-100.0%
Burial Expenses	200	275	75	200	0	0.0%
Insurance Reimbursement	(2,050)	(1,295)	755	-	2,050	0%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>18,868</b>	<b>18,423</b>	<b>(445)</b>	<b>18,870</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0.0%</b>
<b>(l) INSURANCE</b>						
All Non-medical	38,000	26,008	(11,992)	40,000	2,000	5.3%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>38,000</b>	<b>26,008</b>	<b>(11,992)</b>	<b>40,000</b>	<b>2,000</b>	<b>5.3%</b>
<b>(m) TOWN RECORDS</b>						
Records Preservation	50	0	(50)	50	0	0.0%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>(50)</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>0.0%</b>
<b>(n) SPIRIT COMMITTEE</b>						
Spirit Project	500	242	(258)	500	0	0.0%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>500</b>	<b>242</b>	<b>(258)</b>	<b>500</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.0%</b>



2014 STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS and EXPENDITURES w/ 2015 PROPOSAL  
TOWN OF CORNISH

	2014 Final Approp	2014 Actual Expend	2014 Over (Under)	2015 Proposed Budget	2015 Increase (Decrease)	
<b>(o) POLICE DEPARTMENT</b>						
Salaries	48,624	46,605	(2,019)	47,510	(1,114)	-2.3%
Salaries - Special	7,000	7,049	49	7,400	400	5.7%
FICA	3,449	3,058	(391)	3,519	70	2.0%
Medicare	807	715	(92)	823	16	2.0%
Postage	30	11	(19)	30	0	0.0%
Computer Expense	2,170	1,950	(220)	2,190	20	0.9%
Office Supplies	300	249	(51)	300	0	0.0%
Training & Educ	300	478	178	300	0	0.0%
Telephone	2,322	3,040	718	2,712	390	16.8%
Internet	792	871	79	792	0	0.0%
Heat	500	498	(2)	500	0	0.0%
Uniforms	750	824	74	750	0	0.0%
Equipment	200	760	560	200	0	0.0%
Dispatch	9,650	9,693	43	10,035	385	4.0%
Gasoline	3,000	3,446	446	3,000	0	0.0%
Contracted Services	775	718	(57)	0	(775)	-100.0%
Misc Expense	50	10	(40)	50	0	0.0%
Equipment Repair	400	200	(200)	400	0	0.0%
Radios	350	660	310	350	0	0.0%
Building Maintenance	500	562	62	500	0	0.0%
Vehicle Maintenance	1,500	1,936	436	2,000	500	33.3%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>83,469</b>	<b>83,333</b>	<b>(136)</b>	<b>83,361</b>	<b>(108)</b>	<b>-0.1%</b>
<b>(p) AMBULANCE</b>						
Windsor	8,767	8,764	(3)	8,767	0	0.0%
Golden Cross	7,585	7,585	(0)	7,585	0	0.0%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>16,352</b>	<b>16,349</b>	<b>(3)</b>	<b>16,352</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.0%</b>

2014 STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS and EXPENDITURES w/ 2015 PROPOSAL  
TOWN OF CORNISH

	2014 Final Approp	2014 Actual Expend	2014 Over (Under)	2015 Proposed Budget	2015 Increase (Decrease)	
<b>(q) FIRE DEPARTMENT</b>						
Memberships	700	756	56	700	0	0.0%
Mileage	2,000	880	(1,120)	2,000	0	0.0%
Training & Educ	2,100	1,190	(910)	2,100	0	0.0%
Telephone	1,400	1,429	29	1,200	(200)	-14.3%
Internet	1,090	481	(609)	900	(190)	-17.4%
Electricity-Route 120	600	761	161	1,400	800	133.3%
Electricity-Town House	1,500	1,708	208	2,000	500	33.3%
Heat-Route 120	3,500	3,205	(295)	3,500	0	0.0%
Heat-Town House	2,500	1,484	(1,016)	2,500	0	0.0%
Fire Equipment	1,500	2,610	1,110	2,000	500	33.3%
Pagers	600	501	(99)	600	0	0.0%
Hose	1,000	0	(1,000)	1,000	0	0.0%
Forest Fire	1,000	0	(1,000)	1,000	0	0.0%
Dispatch	7,000	7,463	463	7,000	0	0.0%
Gasoline	600	586	(14)	600	0	0.0%
Diesel	2,500	1,812	(688)	2,500	0	0.0%
Misc Expense	200	225	25	200	0	0.0%
Equipment Repair	1,000	166	(834)	1,000	0	0.0%
Radios	1,500	0	(1,500)	1,500	0	0.0%
Maintenance-Sta 1	2,000	1,545	(455)	2,000	0	0.0%
Maintenance-Sta 2	2,000	1,926	(74)	2,000	0	0.0%
Engine 1	800	590	(210)	800	0	0.0%
Engine 2	2,000	13,058	11,058	2,000	0	0.0%
Tanker	1,200	335	(865)	1,200	0	0.0%
Engine 3	800	446	(354)	800	0	0.0%
Utility Truck	800	1,813	1,013	800	0	0.0%
SCBA	2,000	507	(1,493)	2,000	0	0.0%
<b>subtotal</b>	<b>43,890</b>	<b>45,478</b>	<b>1,588</b>	<b>45,300</b>	<b>1,410</b>	<b>3.2%</b>
<b>encumbered to 2014</b>		<b>(12,535)</b>	<b>(12,535)</b>			
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>43,890</b>	<b>32,943</b>	<b>(10,947)</b>	<b>45,300</b>	<b>1,410</b>	<b>3.2%</b>
<b>(r) EMERGENCY MGT.</b>						
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>2,400</b>	<b>2,350</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.0%</b>
	<b>50</b>	<b>2,400</b>	<b>2,350</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.0%</b>

2014 STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS and EXPENDITURES w/ 2015 PROPOSAL  
TOWN OF CORNISH

	2014 Final Approp	2014 Actual Expend	2014 Over (Under)	2015 Proposed Budget	2015 Increase (Decrease)	
<b>HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT</b>						
Salaries	183,030	184,586	1,556	185,776	2,746	1.5%
Salaries-Part Time	1,500	0	(1,500)	1,500	0	0.0%
Salaries-Overtime	18,000	23,061	5,061	18,000	0	0.0%
FICA	12,600	12,874	274	12,800	200	1.6%
Medicare	2,950	3,011	61	3,011	61	2.1%
Retirement	19,800	18,776	(1,024)	23,000	3,200	16.2%
Medical Ins -Town	83,000	82,728	(272)	83,850	850	1.0%
CDL Random Screening	350	222	(128)	350	0	0.0%
Advertising	100	0	(100)	100	0	0.0%
Training & Educ	500	270	(230)	500	0	0.0%
Telephone	850	1,007	157	0	(850)	-100.0%
Internet	0	0	0	1,150	1,150	n/a
Electricity	2,700	2,698	(2)	2,700	0	0.0%
Heat	500	524	24	500	0	0.0%
Uniforms	1,500	1,410	(90)	1,500	0	0.0%
Permits	5,000	9,282	4,282	5,000	0	0.0%
Gasoline	650	527	(123)	650	0	0.0%
Diesel	50,000	40,102	(9,898)	45,000	(5,000)	-10.0%
Oil & Lubricants	3,000	1,866	(1,134)	3,000	0	0.0%
Cold Patch	5,000	3,827	(1,173)	5,000	0	0.0%
Gravel	60,000	46,775	(13,225)	60,000	0	0.0%
Sand	40,000	30,992	(9,008)	40,000	0	0.0%
Salt	3,000	2,789	(211)	3,000	0	0.0%
Culverts	1,000	2,833	1,833	3,000	2,000	200.0%
Guard Rails	100	0	(100)	100	0	0.0%
Road Supplies/Bridge	1,000	2,373	1,373	2,000	1,000	100.0%
Shop Supplies	5,000	7,197	2,197	5,000	0	0.0%
Hired Equipment	12,800	18,476	5,676	12,800	0	0.0%
Rubbish/Tire Removal	1,000	839	(161)	1,000	0	0.0%
Plows,Chains,Blades	10,000	7,355	(2,645)	10,000	0	0.0%
Sanders	1,500	614	(886)	1,500	0	0.0%
2002 Truck	2,500	3,442	942	3,000	500	20.0%
2005 Truck	2,500	1,802	(698)	3,000	500	20.0%
1999 Loader	2,500	1,801	(699)	2,500	0	0.0%
2002 Grader	12,500	9,771	(2,729)	3,000	(9,500)	-76.0%
2009 Truck	2,500	1,887	(613)	3,000	500	20.0%
2012 Ford Truck	1,500	1,104	(396)	1,500	0	0.0%
Kubota Tractor	1,000	4,176	3,176	1,000	0	0.0%
Backhoe	1,000	172	(828)	1,000	0	0.0%
Vibratory Roller	1,000	881	(119)	1,000	0	0.0%
Chipper	500	160	(340)	500	0	0.0%
Radios	1,000	325	(675)	1,000	0	0.0%
Building Maintenance	2,000	3,459	1,459	3,000	1,000	50.0%
<b>Total</b>	<b>556,930</b>	<b>535,996</b>	<b>(20,934)</b>	<b>555,287</b>	<b>(1,643)</b>	<b>-0.3%</b>



2014 STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS and EXPENDITURES w/ 2015 PROPOSAL  
TOWN OF CORNISH

	2014 Final Approp	2014 Actual Expend	2014 Over (Under)	2015 Proposed Budget	2015 Increase (Decrease)	
<b>SANITATION</b>						
(s) Septage	2,500	2,460	(40)	2,500	0	0.0%
(t) Recycling	13,000	15,079	2,079	15,000	2,000	15.4%
(u) Hazardous Waste	1,300	627	(673)	1,000	(300)	-23.1%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>16,800</b>	<b>18,166</b>	<b>1,366</b>	<b>18,500</b>	<b>1,700</b>	<b>10.1%</b>
<b>(v) HEALTH &amp; HUMAN SERVICES</b>						
Rescue Squad	4,400	4,400	0	4,400	0	0.0%
Animal Control	500	331	(170)	500	0	0.0%
VNA & Hospice	1,000	1,000	0	1,000	0	0.0%
SW Comm Serv	500	500	0	500	0	0.0%
Volunteers in Action	300	300	0	400	100	33.3%
West Central Services	1,870	1,870	0	1,900	30	1.6%
CT Valley Home Care	2,500	2,500	0	2,500	0	0.0%
Sullivan Cty Nutrition	400	400	0	425	25	0.0%
General Assistance	5,600	4,064	(1,536)	5,600	0	0.0%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>17,070</b>	<b>15,364</b>	<b>(1,706)</b>	<b>17,225</b>	<b>155</b>	<b>0.9%</b>
<b>COMMUNITY &amp; RECREATION</b>						
(w) Parks & CREA Lands	6,370	5,250	(1,120)	6,370	0	0.0%
(x) Memorial Day	750	321	(429)	750	0	0.0%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>7,120</b>	<b>5,571</b>	<b>(1,549)</b>	<b>7,120</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.0%</b>
<b>(y) CONSERVATION</b>						
Conservation Comm	750	750	0	750	0	0.0%
<b>(z) INTEREST</b>						
Tax Anticipation Notes	2000	0	(2,000)	2000	0	0.0%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>938,373</b>	<b>897,094</b>	<b>(41,279)</b>	<b>939,080</b>	<b>707</b>	<b>0.1%</b>

# SALARIES AND WAGES 2013

	FTE/HRS	WKS	2014 Wage
<b>TOWN OFFICE</b>			
Baker, Scott		52	1,685.65
Bourne Merilynn		52	563.70
Curtis, Mary	30.5	52	26,306.46
Hammond, John		52	1,566.01
Harthan, Paula		52	15,046.50
Jaarsma, Heidi			4,000.00
Lawrence, Dale		52	1,228.03
Caterino, William			100.00
Sweetser, Reigh		52	8,285.63
<b>CEMETERIES</b>			
DeAngelis, Jr., Charles			8,237.52
Spaulding, Tom			8,901.69
<b>POLICE</b>			
Brann, Eric			18,584.00
Hackett, Doug			24,785.00
Stevens, Corey			5,699.50
<b>HIGHWAY</b>			
Gilbert, Roger	40	52	41,880.95
Gray, Wayne	40	52	33,311.51
McNamara, John	40	52	41,709.02
Rheaume, Paul	40	52	39,060.41
Witty, Kyle	40	52	15,069.58
Witty, Sean	40	52	36,616.15
<b>LIBRARY</b>			
Freeland, Brenda	10	52	6,744.84
<b>RECYCLING</b>			
Reed, Willis			1,886.40
McGrath, MaryAnn	5	52	1,603.44
Monette, Michael	5	52	1,079.56
Spaulding, Tom	5	52	667.55
<b>TOTAL</b>			<b>344,619.10</b>

2014  
Budget Summary of Inventory Valuation

	2014 Acres	2014 Assessed Valuation	2013 Acres	2013 Assessed Valuation
<b>Value of Land Only</b>				
In Current Use at				
Current Use Values	22,207.09	2,667,229	22,236.41	2,875,159
Conservation Restriction	0	0	0	0
Discretionary Preservation	0.21	1,600	0.60	2,300
Residential	2890.11	56,332,400	2,888.08	64,423,300
Commerical/Industrial	5.03	644,700	5.03	635,600
<b>TOTAL OF TAX LAND</b>	<b>25,102.44</b>	<b>59,645,929</b>	<b>25,130.12</b>	<b>67,936,359</b>
<b>Value of Buildings Only</b>				
Residential		105,568,837		110,698,637
Manufactured Housing		1,966,800		2,219,500
Commerical/Industrial		1,704,800		1,671,300
Discretionary Preservation		67,463		67,463
<b>TOTAL OF TAXABLE BUILDINGS</b>		<b>109,307,900</b>		<b>114,656,900</b>
<b>Public Utilities - Electric</b>				
Liberty Utilities		226,900		273,400
New England Power		1,965,200		1,752,600
New Hampshire Electric Co-op		1,531,300		1,119,300
Public Service of NH & VT		1,481,900		1,131,800
Central VT Public Service		349,200		194,300
TransCanada Hydro NorhtEast		500		1,000
<b>TOTAL PUBLIC UTILITIES</b>		<b>5,555,000</b>		<b>4,472,400</b>
<b>GRAND TOTAL VALUATION</b>				
<b>BEFORE EXEMPTION</b>		<b>174,508,829</b>		<b>187,165,659</b>
<b>Less Exemptions:</b>				
Blind(2)		(15,000)		(30,000)
Elderly (17)		(1,062,296)		(1,065,000)
Disabled (0)		0		0
<b>NET VALUATION ON WHICH</b>				
<b>TAX RATE IS COMPUTED</b>		<b>167,861,533</b>		<b>185,970,659</b>
<b>ACRES IN CURRENT USE</b>				
Farm Land	2,508	872,877	2,500	863,604
Forest Land	19,405	1,789,187	19,434	2,008,635
Unproductive Land	115	2,060	122	1,202
Wetland	180	3,105	179	1,718
<b>TOTAL ACREAGE</b>	<b>22,207</b>	<b>2,667,229</b>	<b>22,235</b>	<b>2,875,159</b>

Source MS-1



## Inventory of Town-Owned Properties in Cornish, NH

Map	Lot	Location	Acres	Usage	Maintained by
1	45A	Platt Road	0.55	Chase Cemetery	TOC - Cem Dep
2	15	732 Rte 12A	0.46	Cornish/Windsor Covered Bridge parking area	State of NH
3	42	833 Rte 12A	2.79	Trinity Church*	TOC / T Ch Trs
3	42A	833 Rte 12A	0.90	Trinity Cemetery	TOC - Cem Dep
3	68	Root Hill Rd	4.20	Comings Cemetery	TOC - Cem Dep
5	6	Tandy Brook Rd	270.00	Town Forest +	T Forest Comm
6	56	488 Town House Rd	1.70	Town Office*	TOC
6	58	482 Town House Rd	0.64	Unbuildable	TOC
6	67	255 Parsonage Rd	4.90	Highway Garage*	TOC
6	67A	294 Town House Rd	0.52	Town Hall*	TOC
6	69	Town House Rd	0.66	Hodgdon Lot	
6	70	Town House Rd	1.02	Fire Pond	TOC - Fire Dep
6	71	283 Town House Rd	4.00	Fire Station/Police Station*	TOC - Fire/Police
6	73	Parsonage Rd	76.00	Cornish Recreation & Education Area**	TOC - CREA Com
6	89	Jackson Rd	36.00	part of town forest +	T Forest Comm
6	102	Town House Rd	0.40	unbuildable	
7	65B	Center Rd	9.10		
7	86	Center Rd	3.00		
8	32A	Whitten Rd	0.20	Whitten Cemetery	TOC - Cem Dep
9	7A	Huggin Cemetery Rd	0.30	Huggins Cemetery	TOC - Cem Dep
10	9	139 Harrington Rd	5.25		
10	79	Rte 120	4.50	Childs Cemetery	TOC - Cem Dep
11	7	Town House Rd	0.08	Hearse House*	TOC - Cem Dep
11	37A	Edminster Rd	1.25	Edminster Cemetery	TOC - Cem Dep
12	39	Rte 120	7.00	Reed Lot	
12	44	Claremont Town Line	63.00	Hart Lot +	
16	4C	Rte 120	6.30	Recycle Center*	TOC
16	14	Rte 120	4.00	Behind Childs Cemetery	
16	28	Leavitt Hill Rd	2.00	Butman Lot	
16	49	Leavitt Hill Rd	4.00		
18	17-1	School St	0.36	Library*	TOC
18	17-2	24 School St	0.00	Historical Society*	TOC / Hist Soc.
18	29	Leavitt Hill Rd	0.23	Fire Pond/Swimming Area	TOC/Fire Dep
18	34A	School St	0.50	Flat Cemetery	TOC - Cem Dep
18	43	187 Rte 120	0.75	Fire Station*	TOC - Fire Dep
18	51	Rte 120	1.20	Meeting House*	TOC / Mtg Trs.

Total Acreage of Town Properties 517.76

Hist Soc. = Cornish Historical Society

Mtg Trs= Meeting House Trustees

TOC = Town of Cornish

TOC - Cem Dep = Town Cemetery Department

\* = buildings; + = written management plan

TOC - CREA Com = CREA Committee

T Forest Comm = Town Forest Committee

T Ch Trs = Trinity Church Trustees

**Town of Cornish**  
**2015 Tax Estimate Computation**

	2015E	2014	2013
Total Town Appropriations	1,333,502	1,242,944	1,058,120
Add: Allowance for Refunds & Abatements	10,000	5,078	1,922
War Service Credits:			
Disabled Veterans @ \$1400	1,400	1,400	1,400
All Other Veterans @ \$500	40,500	45,900	46,500
Deduct: Non-Property Tax Town Revenues	(710,683)	(603,910)	(592,770)
State Shared Revenues	0	0	0
<b>Town Taxes To Be Raised</b>	<b>674,719</b>	<b>691,412</b>	<b>515,172</b>
Local School Tax Assessment	3,376,978	3,354,110	3,525,370
Deduct: Education Grant	(673,627)	(694,516)	(727,196)
State Education Taxes	(438,045)	(455,033)	(445,792)
<b>Local School Taxes To Be Raised</b>	<b>2,265,306</b>	<b>2,204,561</b>	<b>2,352,382</b>
<b>State Education Tax</b>	<b>438,045</b>	<b>455,033</b>	<b>445,792</b>
County Tax Assessment	573,964	573,964	575,457
Deduct: State Shared Revenues	0	0	0
<b>County Taxes To Be Raised</b>	<b>573,964</b>	<b>573,964</b>	<b>575,457</b>
<b>TOTAL PROP TAXES TO BE RAISED</b>	<b>3,952,034</b>	<b>3,924,970</b>	<b>3,888,803</b>
Assessed Valuation	173,416,533	173,416,533	185,970,659
Assessed Valuation without Utilities	167,861,533	167,861,533	181,498,259
<b>TOTAL TAX RATE</b>			
<b>PER \$1000 OF VALUATION</b>	<b>22.87</b>	<b>22.72</b>	<b>20.97</b>
<b>TAX RATE BREAKDOWN</b>	<b>2015E</b>	<b>2014</b>	<b>2013</b>
Town Rate Per \$1000 of Valuation	3.89	3.99	2.77
School Rate Per \$1000 of Valuation	13.06	12.71	12.65
State School Rate Per \$1000 of Valuation	2.61	2.71	2.46
County Rate Per \$1000 of Valuation	3.31	3.31	3.09
<b>TOTAL RATE</b>	<b>22.87</b>	<b>22.72</b>	<b>20.97</b>

# TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

December 31, 2014

## SUMMARY OF TAX LIENS

### LIENS AT THE BEGINNING OF THE FISCAL YEAR

	2013	2012	2011
UNREDEEMED		\$22,923.85	\$10,787.09
LIENS EXECUTED	\$55,436.24		
INTEREST COLLECTED	\$669.74	\$2,577.65	\$2,410.49
TOTAL LIEN DEBITS	\$56,105.98	\$25,501.50	\$13,197.58

### COLLECTED DURING THE FISCAL YEAR

REDEMPTIONS	\$9,184.65	\$9,850.69	\$9,671.85
INTEREST COLLECTED	\$669.74	\$2,577.65	\$2,410.49
ABATEMENTS			
LIENS DEEDED TO TOWN	\$2,365.94	\$2,233.47	\$1,115.24
BALANCE AT YEAR END	\$43,885.65	\$10,839.69	
TOTAL LIEN CREDITS	\$56,105.98	\$25,501.50	\$13,197.58

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE ABOVE ACCOUNTING IS CORRECT TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF.

RESPECTIVELY SUBMITTED,

REIGH H. SWEETSER  
TAX COLLECTOR



TAX COLLECTOR'S  
REPORT  
DECEMBER 31, 2014

					2014		2013
UNCOLLECTED TAXES-START OF YEAR							
	PROPERTY TAXES						\$269,638.16
	LAND USE						
	YIELD TAX						
TAXES COMMITTED THIS YEAR							
	PROPERTY TAXES				\$3,879,913.00		
	LAND USE CHANGE				\$14,580.00		
	TIMBER YIELD TAX				\$8,418.71		
	EXCAVATION TAX				\$310.10		
OVERPAYMENTS							
	FROM PRIOR YEAR				-\$5,522.00		
	CREDITS REFUNDED				\$1,308.72		
	THIS YEARS' CREDITS						
INTEREST COLLECTED-ALL TAXES					\$3,280.27		\$16,825.24
			TOTAL DEBITS		\$3,902,288.80		\$286,463.40
COLLECTED DURING THE FISCAL YEAR							
	PROPERTY TAXES				\$3,596,955.98		\$219,096.54
	USE CHANGE TAX				\$14,580.00		
	TIMBER YIELD TAX				\$7,388.81		
	EXCAVATION TAX				\$310.10		
	CONVERTED TO LIENS						\$50,541.62
	INTEREST PENALTIES				\$3,260.27		\$15,640.24
	PENALTIES				\$20.00		\$1,185.00
ABATEMENTS							
	PROPERTY TAXES				\$676.00		
	LAND USE						
	TIMBER YIELD TAX				\$460.15		
	DEEDED PROPERTY				\$1,029.00		
PREPAYMENTS							
	PROPERTY TAXES				-\$33.37		
UNCOLLECTED AT THE END OF THE FISCAL YEAR							
	PROPERTY TAXES				\$277,072.11		
	USE CHANGE TAX						
	TIMBER YIELD TAX				\$569.75		
			TOTAL CREDITS		\$3,902,288.80		\$286,463.40

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE ABOVE ACCOUNTING IS CORRECT TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF.

RESPECTIVELY SUBMITTED,

REIGH H. SWEETSER  
TAX COLLECTOR

TREASURER'S REPORT  
TOWN OF CORNISH, NEW HAMPSHIRE  
Year Ended December 31, 2014

	Reconciliation-Cash and Short Term Investments	
Balance 12/31/2013		1,473,705.21
Add Receipts:		
Tax Collector	3,943,343.63	
Selectmen	413,501.89	
Town Clerk	294,973.00	
Total Available		6,125,523.73
Less Payments During Year:		
School	2,729,297.00	
County	573,964.00	
Town	1,251,826.38	
Total Payments		4,555,087.38
Balance 12/31/2014		<u>1,570,436.35</u>
Bank Statement Balance 12/31/2014		81,853.75
Add Short Term Investments		1,470,128.30
Add Uncollected Chargebacks		55.50
Add Deposits in Transit		31,979.02
Less Outstanding Checks		-13,580.22
Checkbook Balance 12/31/2014		<u>1,570,436.35</u>

Special Funds in Custody of Treasurer-Invested in NH Public Deposit Investment Pool

	Beginning Of Year	Add Receipts	Less Payments	End Of Year
<i>Conservation</i>				
Conservation Fund	105,453.59	9,877.53	4,199.40	111,131.72
CREA Dev Fund	6,752.30	0.79	0.00	6,753.09
Rodney Palmer Fund	14,698.62	2.06	70.00	14,630.68
B Barker Mem Fund	2,458.70	0.00	0.00	2,458.70
Crea Brg&Bdwalk Rep	1,553.57	0.00	0.00	1,553.57
<i>Special Revenue</i>				
Trinity Church Fund	1,490.59	450.00	175.36	1,765.23
<i>Non-Cap Reserve</i>				
Municipal Building	7,005.21	1.00	0.00	7,006.21

Respectfully submitted,  
Heidi M. Jaarsma  
Town Treasurer

# Town of Cornish, NH Trust Funds 2014

			Principal		Income				
Created	Fund Name	Purpose	Beginning Balance	New Funds	Ending Balance	Beginning Balance	Income	Expended	Available Balance
1987	Cornish Welfare	Charitable, Needy	\$ 3,518.54	\$ -	\$ 3,518.54	\$ 6,335.21	70.94		\$ 6,406.15
1889	Foss & Kimball	Charitable, Needy	\$ 5,096.04	\$ -	\$ 5,096.04	\$ 16,896.67	175.92		\$ 17,072.59
1971	M.J. Kenney	Charitable, Elderly	\$ 4,044.61	\$ -	\$ 4,044.61	\$ 8,387.66	94.38		\$ 8,482.04
1917	Stowell Library	Library	\$ 10,897.15	\$ -	\$ 10,897.15	\$ 802.88	92.67		\$ 895.55
1902	Mercer/Aid to Ed.	Scholarship/College	\$ 13,214.61	\$ -	\$ 13,214.61	\$ 74,418.93	703.26	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 74,122.20
1898	Public School	Scholarship	\$ 418.24	\$ -	\$ 418.24	\$ 1,248.92	11.82		\$ 1,260.74
1999	Queneau Scholarship	Scholarship/8th Grade	\$ 33,000.00	\$ -	\$ 33,000.00	\$ 2,394.64	272.90		\$ 2,667.54
1909	J. Foss/Flags	Town, Upkeep	\$ 1,731.40	\$ -	\$ 1,731.40	\$ 4,559.58	49.58	\$ 96.25	\$ 4,512.91
1902	Beaman Guide Boards	Town, Upkeep	\$ 1,173.06	\$ -	\$ 1,173.06	\$ 190.29	10.59		\$ 200.88
1985	Veterans' Memorial	Town, Upkeep	\$ 645.35	\$ -	\$ 645.35	\$ 896.65	11.93		\$ 1,908.58
Various	Perpetual Care	Cemetery	\$ 87,000.83	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 89,000.83	\$ 40,907.73	\$1,014.06	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 40,421.79
Perpetual Care, New									
2014	Evans, Loretta	Chase		\$ 200.00					
2014	Dangelis, Charles	Comings		\$ 400.00					
2014	Bailey, Arthur	Edminster		\$ 200.00					
2014	Fellows, Linda & Steve	Edminster		\$ 800.00					
2014	Morse, Kenneth & Jeannette	Edminster		\$ 400.00					

All funds were invested with Lake Sunapee Bank. The information contained in this report is accurate to the best of our knowledge and belief.  
Prepared by Heather Meeks, Richard Simons and Linda Fellows, Trustees of the Trust Funds.



# Town of Cornish, NH Capital Reserve Funds 2014

Created	Fund Name	Beginning Balance	New Funds	Income	Expended	Year End Balance
1985	Appraisal	\$ 51,810.13	\$ 10,000.00	\$372.37	\$ 47,200.00	\$ 14,982.50
1995	Bridges	\$ 121,704.84	\$ 10,000.00	\$991.39	\$ 2,774.00	\$ 129,922.22
1970	Fire Truck	\$ 84,300.38	\$ 35,000.00	\$724.02		\$ 120,024.40
1967	Highway Equipment	\$ 158,580.70	\$ 55,000.00	\$1,358.47	\$ 6,500.00	\$ 208,439.17
2000	Library	\$ 68,356.31	\$ 2,000.00	\$546.44	\$ 5,427.32	\$ 65,475.44
1982	Police Cruiser	\$ 5,354.36	\$ 4,000.00	\$49.02		\$ 9,403.38
2013	Cemetery Equipment	\$ 4,002.45		\$40.63	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 6.48
2014	Paving	\$ -	\$ 50,000.00	\$8.13	\$ 9,480.00	\$ 50,040.63
2014	Building Maint & Impr.	\$ -	\$ 10,000.00	\$123.98		\$ 528.13
1979	School Bldg. Site Impr.	\$ 18,258.28		\$86.44		\$ 18,382.26
1986	School Block Fund	\$ 11,610.25		\$3.65		\$ 11,696.69
2002	School General Repairs	\$ 1,744.02		\$207.35		\$ 1,747.67
2002	School HVAC	\$ 25,891.23		\$38.56		\$ 26,098.57
2007	Spec Ed/HS Tuition	\$ 1,497.98	\$ 32,000.00			\$ 33,536.53

**Totals** \$ 553,110.92 \$ 208,000.00 \$ 4,554.48 \$ 75,381.32 \$ 690,284.07

All funds were invested with Lake Sunapee Bank. The information contained in this report is accurate to the best of our knowledge and belief.  
Prepared by Heather Meeks, Richard Simons and Linda Fellows, Trustees of the Trust Funds.

**Resident Marriage Report  
for year ending  
DECEMBER 31, 2014**

<b>DATE</b>	<b>PERSON A's NAME</b>	<b>RESIDENCE</b>	<b>PERSON B's NAME</b>	<b>RESIDENCE</b>
02/13/14	Heaton, Erik B	Cornish	Smith, Samantha M	Cornish
05/27/14	MacLeay, Nicholas S	Cornish	Gauthier, Paige E	Cornish
06/21/14	Fitch, Courtland B	Cornish	Thompson, Deanna M	Cornish
07/07/14	Morse Jr, Jeffrey S	Cornish	Koch, Kayla M	Claremont
08/02/14	Amsden, Eric A	Cornish	Loveless, Michelle L	Cornish
08/16/14	Walker, Nathan M	Plainfield	Oberkotter, Amanda R	Cornish
09/20/14	Kovacs, David J	Cornish	Thurston, Pamela R	Cornish
09/27/14	Lizotte, Jason G	Cornish	Wishnefsky, Jennifer L	Cornish
09/27/14	Bean, Joshua A	Cornish	St Martin, Angela M	Cornish
10/04/14	Athorne, Christopher	Cornish	McCue, Sheryl A	Cornish
10/25/14	Monette, Daniel L	Cornish	Lounsbury, Sarah L	Cornish
11/15/14	Kantor, Donald R	Cornish	Kier, Frank W	Cornish
11/25/14	Whalen III, Paul W	Cornish	Vollhardt, Laura L	Cornish

"due to privacy, people have a choice as to not participate in publicly displaying notices in town reports."

**Deaths Registered in the Town of Cornish for the year ending  
DECEMBER 31, 2014**

DECEDENT'S NAME	DEATH DATE	DEATH PLACE	FATHER'S/PARENTS NAME	MOTHER'S/PARENT'S NAME PRIOR TO FIRST MARRIAGE/CIVIL UNION
Tashro, Kenneth	01/19/14	Unity	Tashro, Gerald	Braley, Estella
Weitzel Jr, William	01/20/14	Cornish	Weitzel Sr, William	Keeton, Pauline
Roberts, Frank	01/31/14	Claremont	Roberts, Nelson	Putney Marjorie
McCoy, Nancy	03/05/14	Cornish	Waterman Sr, Stanley	Richardson, Marion
Hodgdon, Norma	06/07/14	Cornish	Burr, Walter	Lane, Ethel
Devillers, Theresa	06/09/14	Lebanon	Gendron, John	Martell, Alice
Fox, Harold	07/08/14	Newport	Fox, Floyd	Johnson, Erlene
Brown, Arthur	07/25/14	Lebanon	Brown, Preston	Rayno, Blanche
Parkinson, June	08/25/14	Unity	Tashro, Lewis	Maroney, Anne
Dole, Theresa	10/26/14	Lebanon	Potvin, Joseph	Lacasse, Germaine
Hopkins, Stephen	10/31/14	Lebanon	Hopkins, Charles	Jones, Elizabeth

"due to privacy..people have a choice as to not participate in publicly displaying notices in town reports."



**Births Registered in theTown of Cornish for the year ending  
DECEMBER 31, 2014**

<b>CHILD'S NAME</b>	<b>DATE OF BIRTH</b>	<b>PLACE OF BIRTH</b>	<b>FATHER'S NAME</b>	<b>MOTHER'S NAME</b>
McCarthy, Gavin Samuel	02/21/14	Lebanon, NH	McCarthy, Dale	McCarthy, Elizabeth
Adams, Rachel Marie	04/06/14	Lebanon, NH	Adams, Richard	Adams, Hannah
Newton, Quinn Isaac	06/08/14	Lebanon, NH	Newton, Charles	Newton, Holly
McAndrew, Emma Mae	06/26/14	Lebanon, NH	McAndrew, David	McAndrew, Stephanie
Ranney, Jackson Michael	07/18/14	Lebanon, NH	Ranney, Justin	Ranney, Christy
Welch, Brantley Andrew-George	09/07/14	Lebanon, NH		Welch Dezaeae
Wood, Quinn Charlotte	09/23/14	Cornish, NH	Wood, Matthew	Wood, Marinda
Morway, Jaxon John	10/28/14	Lebanon, NH	Morway, Brian	Morway, Joayn
MacLeay, Reagan Scout	11/14/14	Lebanon, NH	MacLeay, Nicholas	Gauthier Paige
Whalen, Nola Lynn	11/29/14	Lebanon, NH	Whalen III, Paul	Whalen, Laura

\*"due to privacy..people have a choice as to not participate in publicly displaying notices in town reports."

## SELECTMEN'S REPORT

2014

The Selectboard underwent another change of membership in 2014. Dale Lawrence was elected to the Board replacing Merilynn Bourne. Wayne Gray was elected as the new Road Agent replacing Kyle Witty who chose not to run for office. At Town Meeting the voters authorized the Selectboard to appoint the position of Road Agent rather than elect.

The Highway Department installed new 4' culverts on Hell Hollow Road. This should help with drainage of water and reduce the risk of road washout. As an energy saving project the underside of the Secretary and Selectmen's floors were insulated. There was an increase in issued building permits in 2014. New tax maps were made by the Town's assessing contractor, Avitar Associates. This should make it easier to update maps.

Due to necessary engineering studies and wetland permits, the Chase Hill Bridge repair was not completed and is planned as a project for 2015. A town wide Emergency Operation Plan was completed. This was a joint effort of the Police, Fire and Highway Departments as well as the School District and Rescue Squad.

Bill Caterino actively helped update the Town website. This included numerous committees and organizations in Town. Scott Reuthe has chosen not to serve another 3 year term as Fire Chief. The Selectboard is working on the appointment of a new chief. Assistant Chief Jim Guy is currently acting as Chief until a new appointment is made.

The town hall lighting is planned on being updated and the roof of the little town hall will be replaced.

It has been a cold snowy winter so far. The Road Crew has been out trying to keep the roads safely plowed and sanded.

The Board has worked hard to spend the Town's money prudently without sacrificing services and safety. Thank you to all the citizen volunteers and town employees who help keep our Town running smoothly. As always, we encourage your opinions and concerns. Please come in if you have any.

Respectfully submitted,

John Hammond  
Scott Baker  
Dale Lawrence

## AGING IN PLACE IN CORNISH

2014

During the past year, an Aging in place in Cornish committee was formed to address the needs of Cornish elders who wish to remain in their homes in safety and comfort for as long as possible.

A national study recently reported that with the rising costs of nursing homes and assisted living facilities, over 80% of the population surveyed said they would prefer to spend their Senior years in the comfort and familiarity of their homes if at all possible. As a response to this need, committees all across New England and throughout the country in general have formed special interest groups to assess issues and gather information and resources that will help Seniors live comfortably and safely at home.

We are actively compiling a list of local resources that are available to shovel walks and roofs, clean chimneys, help with lawn care, home maintenance and other services available on a regular on-going basis; and we are asking Cornish residents to share their recommendations with us.

We also have an animal care committee in place to assist elders with the care of their pets during hospitalization or when transportation to a vet is needed and the owner can no longer drive.

Several towns in our area are working with a community nurse, and Aging in Place in Cornish is investigating the need and feasibility for this service in our town.

Special thanks to our wonderful Neighbor to Neighbor volunteers who have already made it possible for many elders and those with disabilities to remain at home by providing a helping hand or a ride to the doctor or the grocery store when needed. Thanks, too, to Volunteers in Action who are dedicated to providing transportation for those in need of these services.

If you are an elder or know of a person who may need access to resources in order to remain safely at home, please call any of our committee members. We are here to help.

Aging in Place in Cornish meets at 7 p.m. on the second Tuesday of each month (except in December) upstairs in the Town Office building. All are welcome to attend.

Connie Kousman  
Martha Zoerheide  
Laura Cousineau  
Leigh Callahan  
Reigh Sweetser  
Jan Lord  
Liz Gage  
Nancy Newbold  
Carol Rennie



**ROWLEY & ASSOCIATES, P.C.**  
**CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS**

**2014**

We have audited the Reports of the Treasurer, Tax Collector, and Town Clerk for the year ended December 31, 2013. These reports are the responsibility of the Town's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the reports based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial reports are free of material misstatement. An audit also includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the reports. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall report presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

The reports have been prepared on the cash basis of accounting, which is a comprehensive basis of accounting other than generally accepted governmental accounting principles.

In our opinion, the reports referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the account balances and activities of the Treasurer, Tax Collector, and Town Clerk for the year ended December 31, 2013.

Rowley & Associates, P.C.  
Concord, New Hampshire  
May 19, 2014

## CEMETERY DEPARTMENT

2014

The Cornish Cemetery Department had a very productive season. In addition to keeping the cemeteries mowed and trimmed, we worked on a variety of projects to include painting fences and adding a gate to Edminster Cemetery. We replaced a gate, pickets and painted at Trinity Cemetery, and replaced gates and pickets at Chase Cemetery. We also straightened many stones at all of the cemeteries.

With the addition of the new mower, we were able to cut the trimming time at Childs Cemetery by a considerable amount.

We would like to say thank you to the Selectmen and tax payers for the new equipment.

We would also like to thank Wayne Gray and the Cornish Highway Crew, John McNamara, Roger Gilbert, Paul Rheaume, and Sean Witty for all of their assistance this past season.

Also, a big thank you to Mary Curtis, Administrative Assistant, for all of the behind the scenes work, answering questions, and helping with the paperwork.

Thank you to Dale Lawrence for her continued support throughout the year.

Thank you also to Mike Stringer of Stringer Funeral Home, for his expertise and assistance. Leo Maslan, Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts and parents who placed veterans flags in all of the cemeteries. Spike Jones for replacing the fence at Whitten Cemetery.

Sincerely,

Tom Spaulding, Cemetery Sexton

Chuck DeAngelis

## CONSERVATION COMMISSION

2015

The Upper Valley Land Trust received the Annual Cornish Conservation Award at last year's Town meeting. This was in recognition for all the work they have done in helping preserve the rural character of our Town.

Ben Healy, with financial help from the Commission, replaced the boardwalk from the bridge to the soccer fields on the CREA land. This was Ben's Eagle project from which we all benefit.

As a follow-up to the completion of the Natural Resources Inventory the Commission formed two new committees to start work on the management plan for the Inventory. The Education Committee will be working on ways to help education citizens on topics such as land conservation, improving wildlife habitat and invasive species. The Water Committee will be working on a water plan for the Town and identify ways we may protect this valuable resource.

The Commission developed its first set of By-Laws which will govern how we operate as a Town Commission. The By-Laws are posted on our page on the Town website.

The monitoring Committee chaired by Rickey Poor scheduled and completed walks on all conserved land that the Town is first easement holder on. No violations of easement terms were found. The Commission continued learning and using its GPS on the monitoring walks.

The Commission started developing new pages as part of the Town website. All minutes are now posted as is the entire Natural Resources Inventory and all related maps. We also now have an education page where we will be posting helpful information.

Jim Barker and Buz Lord attended the Annual New Hampshire Association of Conservation Commissions Conference held this year in Laconia, NH. Both individuals attended four seminars on subjects that will be helpful in our work in Town. This year's Conference had the most attendees ever.

A number of new members joined the Commission in 2014. Bob Bulkeley and Buz Lord and are now appointed members and Patrick Clancy and Paul Dunne joined as alternates.

Jim Barker, Chairman  
Rickey Poor, Vice Chairman  
Steven Wilkie  
Bill Gallagher  
Alternates  
John Berry  
Paul Dunne  
Jenny Schad

Bus Lord  
Dale Rook  
Bob Bulkeley

Patrick Clancy  
Frank Parks

John Hammond, Select Board Representative

## CORNISH FAIR ASSOCIATION

2014

First and foremost, THANK YOU to all our Volunteers and Sponsors who once again supported the 65<sup>th</sup> Annual Cornish Fair with their dedicated and professional services and support and welcoming to the 15,000 adults and children who attended over the three days. It definitely takes a village to run this community event and we are most appreciative and grateful to everyone who lends a hand to make it such a success. We continue to receive lots of accolades from volunteers, sponsors, fair goers, vendors and entertainers alike about just how special the Cornish Fair is; how much fun they have and how much they appreciate having it remain a traditional, country, agricultural-based Fair. This type of Fair is harder and harder to maintain and has gone by the wayside in many other communities. Cornish can be proud of this tradition and with everyone's continued support it can continue for years to come.

The Fair Directors work especially hard to insure we stay true to our purpose: "to provide an activity of education and recreation for the community; to raise money for educational and other purposes; and to encourage an interest in agriculture and the arts and crafts." The highlights below demonstrate some of the ways we accomplish this:

- Continue to host the largest Dairy Show in the State of NH with 50 or more 4-H youth participating along with many area Dairy Farmers.
- Beef and Sheep Shows
- New Chicken and Pig exhibits
- Upgrades to the Little Town Hall Agriculture building, with new signage, posters explaining Sullivan County agriculture, revived competitions for hay and silage corn, and antique tractors on display
- Paid out approximately \$7,200 in 4-H Premiums
- Provide exhibitor opportunities for everyone, with paid premiums, in arts, crafts, quilting, gardening, photography, sewing, culinary and others. There are also demonstrations of some of these crafts held during the Fair. These exhibits are located in the Elementary School and are open from noon to 8PM on Friday; 9AM to 8PM on Saturday and 9AM to 6PM on Sunday.
- Art Show and Sale
- Antique Tractor and Farming Museum and Tractor Pulls
- Blacksmith Museum
- Horse, Ox and Pony Pulls
- Farm Horse Show and 4-H Youth Horse Show
- Free entertainment, free parking and kids under 12 free admission
- Handicapped Parking and transportation
- Improved the logistics and marking of gates to improve traffic flow and safety
- Upgrades to the sound quality and improvements at the Whelen Pavilion
- 2014 Cornish Fair Queen and King: Sierra Walker and Carroll Tenney
- 2014 Prince and Princess: Sean Santolucito and Hailey King



- Provided a \$500 scholarship each to Emma Healy & Nathan Downing. Two, \$500 scholarships are awarded annually to Cornish residents graduating High School who are attending college based on merit and need.
- Provided numerous, non-profits opportunities to raise funds for their organizations including the Cornish PTO, Blow Me Down Snow Riders, Antique Tractor Club, Cornish Elementary 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Class, Cornish Rescue Squad, Park Grange, Stevens High School Class of 2017, Live Free and Ride Motorcycle Group, Boy Scouts, Windsor Soccer Group, Enfield Lions, Cheshire Mt. Vernon Lodge #23.
- Community service opportunities were also offered and performed by area students.

The all-volunteer, Board of Fair Directors work year-round organizing, planning, working on projects and repairs on the grounds and to the buildings, as well as logging lots of hours setting up, during, and clean-up after the Fair. Some of the projects we completed in 2014 include:

- Removal of trees near blacksmith building and reseeding creating a clearing for a future venue site
- Clearing out heavy brush between Parsonage Road and the Pulling Ring creating a more open concept
- New metal roof over the Speakers Booth/Picnic table area
- Improvements to the Pulling Ring
- Improvements to the Blacksmith Museum
- Hard packing some of the paths and roads
- Added several picnic tables to the grounds with some help from the Tasker Fund

Our list of projects and improvements seems unending and we are definitely limited by our available funds, but plans for this year include some more roof repairs, improved seating at some of our venues and some additional Little Town Hall exhibit improvements.

Additional volunteers are always needed, welcome and very much appreciated in the weeks leading up to the fair, during the fair and the week after the fair. Lots of ways to volunteer and help out your community Fair. Contact info is available at our website: [www.cornishfair.org](http://www.cornishfair.org).

So mark your calendars for the 66<sup>th</sup> Annual Cornish Fair scheduled for August 21, 22 and 23, 2015. Come join the fun while supporting your Community and enjoy two, especially talented Nashville country artists who will be performing on Saturday; veteran entertainer JAMIE LEE THURSTON and newcomer, Jay Taylor.

The Cornish Fair Board of Directors

## CORNISH RECREATION AND EDUCATION AREA (CREA)

2015

A public hearing on a draft of the CREA Management Plan was held on July 21, 2014. The purpose of the hearing was to inform the public about the plan and to get their feedback on it.

The Selectmen have placed the Management Plan, as presented at the Public Hearing, on the Town's website as their final copy. This plan is subject to update every 10 years, or whenever necessary with input from the CREA Committee.

By the 2014 town meeting maintenance plans were completed by members of the CREA Committee for:

- The hayfields, drainage ditches, & parking
- The barn
- The natural habitats, trails, bridge, boardwalk & viewing area.

By this 2015 town meeting the Athletic Fields Maintenance Plan is partially completed. More details need to be worked out between the Select Board and the principal of the school. In addition the Select Board needs to get input from the Wetlands Wildlife Committee on the Wetlands/ Beaver Habitat Maintenance Plan, which is nearly completed. When that work is finalized any additions or changes will be included. The CREA Committee and the Select Board will review the maintenance plans annually.

On July 25<sup>th</sup> the Department of Resources and Economic Development (DRED)/ Division of Parks and Recreation did their routine inspection of CREA. They had many positive comments to make about the area's overall condition and the level of community involvement in developing and maintaining it. They were impressed with the barn restoration and the many scout projects.

The students at Cornish Elementary did not field their own teams to use any of the ball fields on CREA. Instead they joined teams at the Plainfield School or other recreation departments. A men's soccer league used the soccer field on Sunday nights for part of the year. Inquiries are being made in neighboring towns to see if other teams would like to utilize the ball fields and help with their maintenance.

Throughout the school year students at the school used CREA for the Four Winds Nature Program.

Ben Healy of Boy Scout Troop 332, as his Eagle Scout project, completely replaced the rotting boardwalk, which leads from the footbridge. The CREA Committee would like to thank Ben and the individuals who donated time, materials, or money to help him with this project.

The Management Plan states that the following groups/committees will be represented:

Selectmen, Fair Association, Conservation Commission and the School Board. There may also be community-at-large members.

The committee will re-group and schedule a meeting after March 10<sup>th</sup>.

Respectfully Submitted,

Linda Fuerst     Community Member At Large

Dale Lawrence     Board of Selectmen Representative

## Energy Committee 2014

*Mission Statement: The Town of Cornish takes local steps to save energy and reduce greenhouse gas emissions.*

2014 was a successful year for the Energy Committee (CEC) because it was selected as one of five communities participating in the very first round of Solarize Upper Valley. Cornish and Plainfield worked together with Vital Communities on a project to competitively install solar photovoltaic (PV). We called ourselves Cornish-Plainfield Solarize. The emphasis was on PV (electricity) roof-mount installations. The installing company chosen through a bid process was Solar Source. The competitive aspect of the program was to reach a goal of 61 kW in order to reach the lowest price/kW Tier of \$3.40/Watt. **The two towns together ended the program reaching Tier 4 and installing PV in 33 households over the summer for a total of 180 kW.**

As a result of our success, Solar Source awarded us by funding an electric vehicle charging station which is located at Anne's Plainfield Country Convenience Store, 1190 Rt. 12A in Plainfield. Joanna Sharf will do the wiring and Bill Cable will make the enclosure for it.

The CEC also held a public discussion about community net metering, which could make it possible for residents who do not have optimal access to solar power, to think about joining together with other households who do have good solar access. This is an ongoing discussion.

The Energy Committee would like to thank the selectboard that supported Solarize and extend congratulations to the townspeople for being part of this engagement. What steps would we like to take next? Education about the No-Idling policy may be helpful since the greatest energy use (70%) has been fuel used by town vehicles which includes those of the police department and for road maintenance. Once again, the CEC had visible presence at Town Meeting 2014 with a poster display showing the town's energy use data. Please feel welcome to contact one of the members of our committee with any suggestions you may have to offer. Consider joining us.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Boyle (Chair), William Cable, George Edson, Janice Orion, Pat Pinkson-Burke, Joanna Sharf and Nancy Wightman.





STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE  
Executive Council

JOSEPH D. KENNEY  
EXECUTIVE COUNCILOR  
DISTRICT ONE



STATE HOUSE ROOM 207  
107 NORTH MAIN STREET  
CONCORD, NH 03301  
(603) 271-3632

January 2015

As I start my 2nd year of service to you and the State of New Hampshire in Council District I, I am remindful of the wonderful 35 years of service that the previous Councilor Raymond S. Burton gave to the people of New Hampshire. He will be deeply missed but not forgotten.

Governor Maggie Hassan has just been re-elected and I will work with her and the NH Legislature to solve problems, large or small, for the people of New Hampshire. Economic development is my top priority for the Northern most Council District and I will work with community and business leaders to assist in the creation of jobs and economic opportunity. County and regional economic development councils coupled with community action agencies will be putting forth new initiatives to carry out this work and I look forward to working with them.

The NH Congressional Delegation - Senator Jeanne Shaheen, Senator Kelly Ayotte, Congresswoman Annie Kuster and Congressman Frank Guinta in joining with other New England states and Canadian officials can cause new resources and partnerships to be created to support job growth.

2015 will start another year of the 10-year NH Highway Transportation Planning process working through the Regional Planning Commissions. National Infrastructure Investments (as known as TIGER Discretionary Grants), provide a unique opportunity to invest in road, rail, transit and port projects. The Transportation Alternative Program (TAP) grants replace the Transportation Enhancement (TE) for Recreational Trails, and Safe Routes to School. Contact William Watson at NH DOT for details at 271-3344 or [bwatson@dot.state.nh.us](mailto:bwatson@dot.state.nh.us).

The 2015 session of the NH House and Senate will be a trying time with proposed cutbacks yet still providing and meeting constitutional and statutory needs. Be watchful of proposed legislation passing costs on to the county and local levels of government. Stay close to your local state senator and house members.

The Governor and Council are always looking for volunteers to serve on the dozens of boards and commissions. If you are interested please send your resume to Governor Maggie Hassan, State House, 107 North Main Street, Concord, NH 03301 attention Jennifer Kuzma Director of Appointments/Liaison or at (603) 271-2121. A complete list is available at the NH Secretary of State website at [www.sos.nh.gov/redbook/index.htm](http://www.sos.nh.gov/redbook/index.htm).

My office has available informational items: NH Constitutions, tourist maps, consumer handbooks, etc. I periodically send, via email, a list of my schedule for the week. Send me your email address to be added to the list if you would like at [Joseph.Kenney@nh.gov](mailto:Joseph.Kenney@nh.gov).

Contact my office any time I can be of assistance to you.

Joe

Entire Counties of Coos and Grafton, the incorporated place of Hale's Location, the towns of Albany, Alton, Andover, Bartlett, Brookfield, Center Harbor, Chatham, Conway, Cornish, Croydon, Danbury, Eaton, Ellingham, Freedom, Gilford, Grantham, Hart's Location, Hill, Jackson, Madison, Meredith, Middleton, Milton, Moultonborough, New Durham, New Hampton, New London, Newport, Ossipee, Plainfield, Sanbornton, Sandwich, Springfield, Sunapee, Tamworth, Tilton, Tiltonboro, Wakefield, Wilmot, and Wolfeboro, and the cities of Claremont and Laconia.



## FIRE AUXILIARY 2014

Way back, about 1969, Evelyn Allen and Vera Kuhre organized the wives of the Cornish firefighters to provide hot coffee, donuts and sandwiches at major fires in the Town of Cornish. Little did they realize that their organization would become the important group it has been over the years.

The Auxiliary has run dances, bazaars, rabies clinics, door-to-door fund raisers, rummage sales, and sold food at the Fire Department Bingo. These efforts have saved the Town of Cornish thousands of dollars, for example, providing monies for hose, pagers, funds towards trucks, two fire stations, and Town Hall kitchen renovation.

In 2014 we held our annual rabies clinic and 48 animals were protected against this dreaded disease; our bazaar was a success, with 40 vendors; profit from the quilt raffle went to the Fire Association Scholarship Fund.

Because of the cost of mandatory insurance, the Auxiliary can no longer function as an organization and, therefore, bids a sad, but fond farewell. We thank you all for your support.

The Cornish Fire Department Auxiliary.

## FIRE DEPARTMENT

2014

A hearty thank you goes out to each of the nearly 30 Cornish firefighters for their dedicated volunteerism of, on average, over two hundred hours annually. Cornish remains as one of the very few fully-volunteer fire departments in the State. In addition, I would like to acknowledge Gardner Cass and Nathan Downing for completing the 212-hour Level I Firefighting course given by the New Hampshire Fire Academy.

The Department operates two stations and five pieces of apparatus, and utilizes some of the most up-to-date firefighting apparatus, equipment, technology and training available. In 2014, the Cornish Fire Department responded to 91 calls, an average of one call every 4 days - a breakdown of the calls is below. Our Forestry Wardens were also busy with burn pile inspections and issuing well over 50 Burn Permits. As a reminder, a Burn Permit is required unless the ground around the burn is completely covered with snow.

The Department's Explorer program allows boys and girls as young as 14 (providing they have completed the eighth grade) to join the Department. The Fire Explorer group is one of several programs in the Learning for Life, a subsidiary of the Boy Scouts of America, organization's family of programs that help youth choose a career path and to challenge them to become responsible citizens of their communities and country. We follow strict safety, citizenship and school performance guidelines with the Explorers, and expect them to become an integral part of the Department.

I would like to recognize the Fire Department Auxiliary, one of the few remaining in the State, for their dedicated support of the Department.

Lastly, I have proudly serviced as Chief of the Cornish Fire Department for the past three years, but I have decided not to seek reappointment for another term, however, I do remain in the Department. I thank the Selectboard and the Cornish citizens for their help and support while I was Chief.

Respectfully,

Scott Reuthe, Chief

Cornish Fire Department

[cornishfire@gmail.com](mailto:cornishfire@gmail.com)

603.675.5611 (non-emergency, Town Office); 603.643.3333 (non-emergency, Hanover Dispatch Center)

2014 Fire Call Breakdown:

Chimney Fires	5	Mutual Aid	14
Carbon Monoxide Alarms	2	Structure Fires	1
Odor Investigations	3	Power Lines	18
Alarm Activations	14	Smoke Investigation	1
Motor Vehicle Crashes	17	Brush Fires	2
Illegal Burns	2	Assist Rescue Squad	1
Service Calls	10	Vehicle Fires	1

## Report of Forest Fire Warden and State Forest Ranger

Your local Forest Fire Warden, Fire Department, and the State of New Hampshire Division of Forests & Lands, work collaboratively to reduce the risk and frequency of wildland fires in New Hampshire. To help us assist you, please contact your local Forest Fire Warden or Fire Department to determine if a permit is required before doing ANY outside burning. Under State law (RSA 227-L:17) a fire permit is required for all outside burning, unless the ground is completely covered with snow. The New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services also prohibits the open burning of household waste. Citizens are encouraged to contact the local fire department or DES at 603-271-1370 or [www.des.state.nh.us](http://www.des.state.nh.us) for more information. Safe open burning requires diligence and responsibility. Help us to protect New Hampshire's forest resources. For more information please contact the Division of Forests & Lands at (603) 271-2214, or online at [www.nhdfi.org](http://www.nhdfi.org).

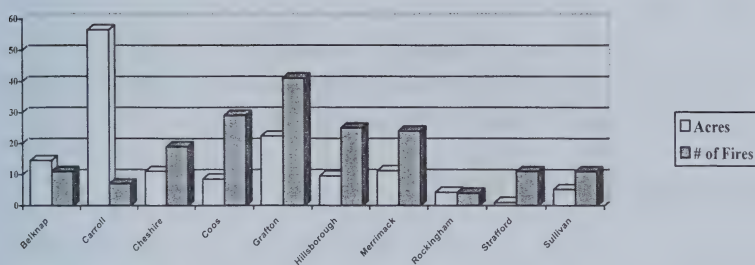
This past fire season started in early April with the first reported fire on April 7th. April, which is the traditional start to our spring fire season, began very dry with unseasonably dry conditions continuing through the entire month. This dry pattern continued through the first half of May. 80% of our reported fires this season occurred during this six week period. The largest fire was 24 acres, occurring in the town of Tamworth. From mid May through early September, above average rainfall kept our total acreage burned statewide at 72 acres. This is the smallest amount of acreage burned statewide in several years. Late August through late September though brought a dry trend to northern areas, resulting in several deep-burning remote fires. Our fire danger days correlated well with the days that there were fires actually reported. The statewide system of 16 fire lookout towers continues to operate on Class III or higher fire danger days. Our fire lookouts are credited with keeping most fires small and saving several structures due to their quick and accurate spotting capabilities. The towers fire spotting capability was supplemented by the NH Civil Air Patrol when the fire danger was especially high. Many homes in New Hampshire are located in the wildland urban interface, which is the area where homes and flammable wildland fuels intermix. Several of the fires during the 2014 season threatened structures, and a few structures were burned, a constant reminder that forest fires burn more than just trees. Homeowners should take measures to prevent a wildland fire from spreading to their home. Precautions include keeping your roof and gutters clear of leaves and pine needles, and maintaining adequate green space around your home free of flammable materials. Additional information and homeowner recommendations are available at [www.firewise.org](http://www.firewise.org). Please help Smokey Bear, your local fire department, and the state's Forest Rangers by being fire wise and fire safe!

### 2014 FIRE STATISTICS

(All fires reported as of November 2014)

(figures do not include fires under the jurisdiction of the White Mountain National Forest)

COUNTY STATISTICS		
County	Acres	# of Fires
Belknap	3.1	5
Carroll	24	4
Cheshire	6.8	7
Coos	5.3	18
Grafton	8.2	32
Hillsborough	6.1	20
Merrimack	15.5	11
Rockingham	1.1	8
Strafford	0.4	5
Sullivan	1.5	2



### CAUSES OF FIRES REPORTED

	Total	Fires	Total Acres
Arson	2	2014	112
Debris	52	2013	182
Campfire	10	2012	318
Children	2	2011	125
Smoking	5	2010	360
Railroad	0		145
Equipment	5		
Lightning	1		
Misc.*	35	(*Misc.: power lines, fireworks, electric fences, etc.)	

ONLY YOU CAN PREVENT WILDLAND FIRE

## GARDEN CLUB 2014

The Cornish Garden Club, in its 61<sup>st</sup> year, had an active season filled with several spring and fall meetings, summer garden tours, July picnic, May Silent Auction, December Tea Party with Yankee Swap and collective for a local food pantry, and hands on floral design workshops. Meetings featured speakers on a variety of gardening topics: Dried Flower Arrangements (Riverview Farm), Great American Gardens (Bill Noble), Thanksgiving Centerpieces (Katharine Beardslee). We had a club seed swap as well. Additionally, the club joined forces with the Cornish Historic Society to present an interesting and informative talk on our local Native American history focusing on the use of plants: how, why and when plants were harvested (Jennifer Lee).

In the spring, members planted flowers at the library, in the pots on the town green, and in the Bridge Garden across from the Cornish entrance to the covered bridge. The Bridge Garden was replanted in the fall with autumn mums.

The club ran a very successful flower show and raffle in its newly assigned flower and meeting room in the Cornish Elementary School during the Cornish Fair. The club's biggest fundraiser is the raffle featuring a large variety of donated items from local businesses, gardeners, and artists. Many fair goers look forward to this raffle every year.

A scholarship is available to any college student from town who is studying agriculture, environmental studies or horticulture.

Many interesting meetings are planned for 2015.

Anyone interested in more information regarding the club or membership information please contact Peggy Ogilvy at 617-680-7528 or [pogilvy@comcast.net](mailto:pogilvy@comcast.net)

Respectfully submitted,

Peggy Ogilvy  
Gillian Goodwin  
Co-Presidents



## GENERAL ASSISTANCE

2014

2014 was a year of transition for General Assistance with Connie Kousman after 23 years choosing to focus on new opportunities. Pam Annis was elected General Assistance Director and Nancy Newbold and Marie Derusha agreed to aid as committee members.

Since March we have provided temporary assistance to those in need either directly, providing guidance, or aiding through referrals to state agencies.

Due to economy status over the last year the number of inquiries and the complexity of needs and services have required much more time, research, and aid of legal counsel. Surprisingly despite this we managed to finish the year within our budget.

We send our most sincere thanks to local agencies, organizations and individuals who have helped us help others. We equally appreciate that there are many within our community that choose to remain anonymous in their aid. Specific thanks goes out to Reverend Dale and the United Church of Cornish and the food Pantry, Community Resource room and food Pantry in Plainfield, Neighbor to Neighbor, Cornish Elementary Administration and Volunteers in Action.

Since March we have taken the opportunity to visit local resources to enrich our knowledge therefor being better able to provide assistance to those in need. Thus far we have attended a General assistance workshop in Concord, visited the Claremont men's and family shelter, and southwestern Community services.

Our goals for 2015 are to visit New Hampshire Health and Human Services, Turning Points, and possibly Service Link with our goal being to have a broader understanding of referral and assisting organizations. We also plan to review our guidelines to assure they do not need updating.

Special thanks to Connie Kousman for her endless support and guidance at any time asked.

It has been a privilege to serve the Town of Cornish.

Pamela Annis

Nancy Newbold

Marie Derusha

## George H. Stowell Free Library

2014

The G.H. Stowell Library benefited from some improvements this year. A big thank you goes to Trustee Kathi Patterson and to Lyle Patterson. The Pattersons completed some of the work themselves and then oversaw contractors who did the rest. One of the most noticeable improvements is the refurbished book drop sitting proudly by the front entrance. It was strengthened, painted a handsome red and dressed up with a commemorative Cornish 250 license plate. Building repairs included securing the hand rail on the front steps and fixing the chipped concrete on the steps. To keep the building in good condition the basement entrance was rebuilt and new slate work was completed on a portion of the roof.

In 2014 1,528 patrons visited the library; 1,574 books and audio books were loaned out; 174 movies were borrowed; 49 magazines were checked out; 54 people used the copier; and the computer was used 96 times. The Library continues to be an active member of New Hampshire's inter-library loan system. We regularly lend to and borrow from other libraries in the state.

In the past year, four valued, long term volunteers resigned. We wish Ann, Rhonda, Alicia and Melanie well and thank them for all the time and effort they have given on behalf of the library. By incorporating a little flexibility into the schedule we were able to find four new volunteers. We welcome Kate, Stephanie, Char and Caroline as regularly scheduled volunteers. Whether committing to a regular schedule or volunteering as a substitute, all of the volunteers are very much appreciated for their willingness to help staff our library. Our collective gratitude also goes to Leland Atwood for keeping up with winter storms, keeping the walk and steps clear of snow.

The book discussion group continues to meet the first Wednesday of the month from 7:00 – 8:00PM. The books to be read and discussed are chosen by the group prior to the beginning of the year. Books are provided a month in advance and are available at the Library. A reading list for the upcoming months is available at the library and on the Library website. Special thanks to Leigh Callahan for leading this group.

There has been a lot of interest expressed in making downloadable books available through the library. Over the past year work was done to make this option available to Cornish residents. An announcement will come out in 2015 with instructions on how to access downloadable books through the Cornish library. New books continue to be purchased regularly, hardback and audio books as well as some movies. Your ideas and suggestions for titles are always welcome.

Events in 2014 included participation in World Book Night. This is an event which occurs in April. Libraries apply to be "givers". If chosen the Librarian selects a title from a list of available titles and is given 20 copies to hand out to town residents. The idea was conceived to promote reading, no strings attached. Unfortunately funding ran out on this program following this year's event which means Cornish was part of the last "World Book Knight". Halloween night once again provided the library with a chance to invite folks in for a little fun. It is a great opportunity to hand out books as well as a little candy to community children. Everyone coming through the door was festive and appeared to be having a great time.

Thank you to everyone who supported the library by donating time, money, or materials. Any and all of these are sincerely appreciated.

Brenda Freeland, Librarian  
January, 2015

**PARK GRANGE #249**  
**2014**

Park Grange had a wonderful year this year. Two breakfasts were put on this year and raised close to \$200 that was donated to the Cornish Senior Luncheon. The Grange plans on having two breakfasts this year with profits again being donated.

With the profits from our booth at the Cornish Fair, Park Grange bought 15 gift cards from Hannaford's for families in need at Thanksgiving.

The Grange did a raffle at the Cornish Fair of a ton of wood pellets or cash prize. The Upper Valley Wood Stove Company donated toward this raffle and Park Grange wishes to thank them for the generous donation again. Profits will purchase equipment for the Cornish Police Department.

Annually on October 31, our hall on School Street is opened for all to come in to have a wonderful baked good to eat or take, just to relax, or just to get in from the cold. Our hall has been opened for over the past 10 years on this evening and the community members really enjoy this.

The Grange donates to the food pantries in several communities, members donate hats and mittens for distribution locally, either made or purchased, and if a need is there, the Grange tries to fill it.

The Grange meets on the third Thursday at 6:30 in the Grange Hall on School Street from April to November. From December to March the Grange meets on the second Thursday in the room above the Town Office on Town House Road at 6:30. If you like doing community service, the Grange may be for you. Check the Grange out.

Respectfully submitted,  
Roy Stone  
Master

## HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT 2014

The Highway Crew was busy replacing failed culverts and there are more to be done.

We installed a second culvert on Hell Hollow, as designed by Blakeman Engineering, which washed out during the flood.

Winter started out with a lot of rain and ice, so our sand pile took it hard early.

We were able to put out some gravel to shim roads.

I would like to thank everyone for being understanding with me while learning how some things are done the Town's way.

Respectfully submitted,

Wayne Gray



## Cornish Historical Society 2014

We began the year in May with a potluck supper and square dance at the Town Hall. June was our first joint meeting with the Cornish Garden Club which we hope to make an annual event. September was a chance to learn about the life of Theodore Roosevelt as portrayed by Dwight Wilder. Finally, at our annual election meeting in October, we were wonderfully entertained with country and folk music by previous Cornish resident, Charlie Bruce.

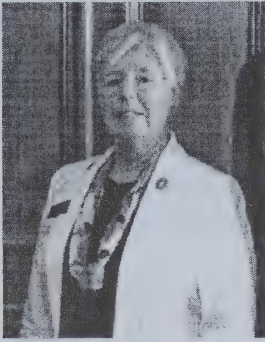
Since receiving our endowment some eight years ago, we've spent a total of over \$26,000 on upgrades to the Historic Center and over \$31,000 on projects and grants for the benefit of the Cornish Community. This year \$1000 was given to the United Church of Cornish steeple fund and over \$900 to the Elementary School Class Trip, book awards, and the phone book ad. We upgraded our Historic Center with new bookshelves and we bought 50 new soft chairs for the Town Office upstairs meeting room. Our acquisitions include a number of items from local playwright and poet, Percy MacKaye, and eight personal diaries of William Balloch from the late 1800's plus other donated Cornish artifacts.

We bid farewell to Anne Hier and thanked her for many years of service to us and to the Cornish Community. We welcomed Caroline Storrs to the board who will replace Anne as our secretary. Thanks to both.

We will start 2015 with a May program featuring Steve Taylor talking about "Poor Farms" of our area and history. June will be a joint meeting with the Cornish Garden Club at St. Gaudens. New members and visitors are always welcome to our programs and to the Cornish Historic Center on School Street. Hours are 9-12 on most Saturdays in July and August and on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday in April through November. We can also be reached on the Town web site ([www.cornishnh.net](http://www.cornishnh.net)) or ([www.facebook.com/ Cornish Historical Society](http://www.facebook.com/CornishHistoricalSociety)).

Officers include Stu Hodgeman, President; Dale Rook and Jim Atkinson, Vice Presidents; Carolyn Storrs, Secretary; Beth Lum, Corresponding Secretary; Bill Caterino, Treasurer.

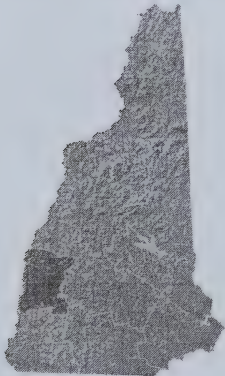
Respectfully submitted,  
Stu Hodgeman  
President



**Linda L. Tanner**

## House of Representatives

### Sullivan District 9



## Legislative Report for 2014

The 2014 legislative session that ended in June continued to make positive changes for the citizens of New Hampshire, help local town budgets, and make local government more efficient.

The legislature enacted protections for our citizens by addressing the issue of domestic violence. Under 'Joshua's Law' a crime of Domestic Violence was established that provided added protections for victims as well as added tools for law enforcement. Several other laws were passed including one I co-sponsored. RSA: 0238, placing household and domesticated animals under the domestic violence statute.

As a result of the passage of the bipartisan Medicaid expansion in 2013 session, tens of thousands of previously uninsured, hard working citizens are now enrolled in the New Hampshire Health Protection Plan. The State's Health Exchange now has 5 health insurance providers. This increase in insurance providers will offer market competition which is already lowering the cost of premiums. In addition, the legislature invested \$24 million to reverse crisis in mental health system and worked with hospitals to restore uncompensated care funding to state's hospitals and averts a major law suit.

Two important infrastructure bills supported by the Business and Industry Association became law. One looks toward future investments by establishing a 10 year transportation improvement program to develop a long term plan for investments in our roads and bridges. A four cents a gallon increase to the current road toll was passed that is estimated to result in an additional \$33 million annually. This increase will provide an estimated \$4 million per year funding for highway block grants to municipalities, as well as municipal bridge aid, monies for resurfacing and reconstructing secondary roads and the completion of the expansion of I-93 from the Massachusetts border to Manchester.

Often bills are proposed to help local government become more efficient. Examples of new laws to help local government are modifying the process for fill and dredging permits, forming a committee to study land conservation, and allowing the earlier counting of absentee ballots.

The 2015 legislature is facing some tough budget decisions. Fiscal stewardship is about ensuring that we make smart choices about how we spend each taxpayer dollar. We need to work towards long term planning and investments for the future of New Hampshire. We need to invest in education, job training, and address our energy needs.

As I leave office, I want to thank you for this opportunity to serve in our citizen legislature. I have been honored to serve the hard working men, women, and children of Sullivan County as a State representative for the last two years.

Sincerely,  
Linda L. Tanner  
State Representative

Linda Tanner  
P.O. Box 267  
Georges Mills, NH 03751  
email: RepTanner@gmail.com

## MEETINGHOUSE

2014

The Meetinghouse had a big year this past year. The trustees of the Meetinghouse met with a representative from the New Hampshire Preservation Society and planned out a strategy to bring significant, much needed improvements to this iconic building in Cornish Flat. The trustees submitted an extensive application to the New Hampshire Preservation Society and received a 50% matching grant of \$7500 to do a detailed assessment report on the history and development of the property, an existing conditions assessment, and recommendations for the future. Daniel Scully Architects of Keene completed the report and the report is on file in the Selectboard's office.

With the Conditions Assessment and Master Plan completed, the trustees then applied to New Hampshire Land and Community Heritage Investment Program (LCHIP), which is an independent state authority that makes matching grants to NH communities to conserve and protect cultural and historic resources. The application process, again, was complicated and complex, but after many meetings, an application was sent to Concord in May 2014. The work on the Meetinghouse would include removal and repair of rotted clapboards and trim, window restoration, repair of shutters, painting of the exterior of the building, handicapped accessible ramp, and most importantly, the repair of the slate roof. The trustees received word in November of 2014 that they had been awarded \$54,000, which will be directed towards Phase I. The trustees will need to raise the remaining 50% of the expenses, using both hard (cash) and soft (volunteer or donated work). Proceeds from the 250<sup>th</sup> Anniversary book and a warrant article directed towards the maintenance of town buildings have helped to defray expenses. Parts of Phase I work have already been completed since a contract was procured in the fall of 2013 for the painting of the exterior. The repair of rotting trim and clapboards was completed by Cornish Custom Construction, and more work will begin as the weather permits.

The trustees also applied to the Mascoma Grant Foundation in the fall of 2014. This grant was targeted towards the repair of the slate roof which is the most costly of all the repairs. The trustees were again delighted to hear in December that the Cornish Meetinghouse had been awarded \$7500 towards its goal! The \$7500 will go towards the hard costs of repairing the roof.

The Meetinghouse continues to be a focal point of Cornish Flat. The building was used for the 250<sup>th</sup> Quilt Show. It also houses an historic room for the Historical Society. The Common is used every Saturday by the Farmer's Market. The Memorial Day Service held on the Common is a yearly event that serves the community with its simple, but moving ceremony.

If anyone is interested in using the building, please contact Caroline Storrs at 675-9376

Caroline Storrs, Chairperson  
Sue Chandler, Secretary  
George Edson, Treasurer



# Cornish Planning Board

488 Town House Road  
Cornish, New Hampshire 03745



## 2014 ANNUAL REPORT

Meeting the first and third Thursday of each month, the Cornish Planning Board held three hearings on applications from property owners in 2014. Two applications were approved, and one is pending.

The Board plans to bring the Zoning District map into the 21<sup>st</sup> century: the 1992 zoning map has been reproduced by the Upper Valley Lake Sunapee Regional Planning Commission using Geographic Information System (GIS) technology and is a proposed amendment to the Zoning Ordinance to replace the 1992 zoning district map. The new map is a digital copy; no zoning district boundaries have been changed. The Board held a public hearing under RSA 676:3 on the proposed amendment on January 15, 2015, and the amendment to adopt the new map will be a ballot vote at the 2015 Town Meeting.

Also, please note the notice regarding RSA 674:39aa, restoration of involuntarily merged lots, at the beginning of this report. All meetings and hearings are open to the public, and all are welcome and encouraged to attend.

The Planning Board currently has two openings for alternates. Any Cornish resident interested in serving should contact the Board of Selectmen.

## 2014 ACTIONS

### Annexation

Douglas and Betty Miller	Town House Road	<i>approved</i>
--------------------------	-----------------	-----------------

### Minor Subdivision

Timothy Schad	East Road	<i>pending</i>
---------------	-----------	----------------

### Site Plan Review

James & Diane Liggett/JR Liggett Ltd	NH Route 12A	<i>approved</i>
--------------------------------------	--------------	-----------------

---

## 2014 MEMBERSHIP

Bill Lipfert, Chair  
Gwyn Gallagher, Vice-Chair  
Heidi Jaarsma, Secretary  
Mary Mancuso

Gail McKenzie  
Jay Young  
Scott Baker, Selectboard Representative  
David Haseman, Alternate



**POLICE DEPARTMENT  
2014**

The Cornish Police Department handled 1,143 calls for service during the year 2014, up 7.5% from last year. This year our Motor Vehicle Enforcement is up almost 43%. Our accidents are down 2%. Often you will notice our accidents are directly related to the amount of enforcement action we take.

Our burglaries dropped sharply this year from 10 to 3; as did our Thefts, which dropped from 14 to 10. Our biggest thefts are related to mail and packages. Please make arrangements to have packages held at the post office or delivered to someone you know will be home.

Our domestic disturbances for 2014 increased again by fifty percent from 10 to 15. This is a 100% increase in two years. Domestic Disturbances are one of the most dangerous calls we respond to. If you are in a relationship that is unsafe, please contact the police department or Turning Points for help.

2014 was the first full year having a 24 hour a week daytime patrol. This coverage has been very beneficial to the department and the town. Many residents have commented on the increased patrols and faster response during the day to calls for service. The best example of the benefits of this patrol was on September 24<sup>th</sup> when Officer Brann observed a suspicious vehicle and person in the area of an empty residence. Upon investigating further, a suspect ran from officers, only to be arrested later and charged with Attempted Theft. A second person was charged with Conspiracy. Both subjects have been charged and found guilty in this crime.

Please remember to report any suspicious activity to the Police Department, and as always, we thank you for your support.

Proudly Serving,

Chief E. Douglas Hackett

Sgt. Corey J. Stevens

Officer Eric Brann

Secretary, Dale Lawrence

*Cornish Rescue Squad*  
1974-2014  
*40 Years of Service to Cornish and Plainfield*

Dear Members of the Cornish Community,

Thank you to members and friends of the Cornish community for the support shown during our annual fundraiser and the funds received by vote at your annual Town Meeting. Your financial support allows us to:

- update equipment (this year we will replace our auto extrication equipment)
- allow members to carry necessary medical supplies
- keep medical supplies updated and in stock on our rescue truck
- outfit members with protective clothing
- pay our operating costs

We are currently 23 members strong and continue to serve the two communities with first responder response prior to the arrival of the ambulance. Along with our medical calls, we provide mutual aid response and support to the Cornish, Plainfield and Meriden Fire Departments. We also provide mutual aid services when requested by other area agencies and coverage for the 3 days of the Cornish Fair. We are on call 24/7/365, members responded to 194 calls in 2014.

All members are Nationally Registered at their certification level and NH licensed. We are required to recertify every two years and have members at the First Responder, EMT B, EMT I and Paramedic level.

Please buckle your seat belts, change your smoke detector's batteries at Day Light Savings times, and be safe!

**Dial 911 in the event of an emergency be it, medical, fire or police related.**

If you are interested in joining, or if you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at (603)675-2002 or Gary Chilton at (603)448-7688. If you would like to take a First Responder or EMT class, please contact Jim McCarragher at (603)469-3505 for more information.

Sincerely,

Dale H. Lawrence, President

# THE AUGUSTUS SAINT-GAUDENS MEMORIAL

CORNISH, NEW HAMPSHIRE

Cornish Town Report  
January 29, 2015

The Trustees of the Saint-Gaudens Memorial partner with the Saint-Gaudens National Historic Site to ensure the preservation and appropriate development of the park's artistic, historical and natural resources and to provide programs and activities that educate and entertain visitors to the park.

One of the highlights of last year's season was the award of the Saint-Gaudens Medal to James Atkinson on July 13. The acknowledgement was well-deserved for his many contributions as a Cornish Colony historian and author, and as a donor to and supporter of the park over the years.

2015 marks the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the creation of the National Historic Site and transfer of the property and collection of works from the Memorial to the federal government. One of the three exhibitions in the Picture Gallery sponsored by the Memorial will feature the work of photographer Shellburne Thurber, who has been working for the past two years on a portfolio of images of the park. The series of ten Sunday afternoon concerts will include a wide variety of musical offerings. And, the Memorial is hoping to host an event in late September to celebrate the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the park. As always, we will jointly sponsor events such as the sculpture workshops, the Sculptural Visions event and other educational programs.

The Trustees are also putting efforts into a possible project to rehabilitate a structure at Blow-Me-Down Farm for future arts-related programming; creation of a new web site; and expanding public recognition of the site as a national park for the arts.

We appreciate all our wonderful partners at the park, including Superintendent Rick Kendall, Curator Dr. Henry Duffy and Chief Ranger Greg Schwarz; and thank our Community Liaisons -- Selectman John Hammond, Gwyn Gallagher and Cheston Newbold -- who help to keep us informed about ideas and issues from the people of Cornish that touch on the park and our programs.

## Saint-Gaudens National Historic Site

### 2014

2014 marked another successful year for Saint-Gaudens NHS. The park received 37,786 visitors in 2014, on par with our 2013 attendance figures. A total of 640 students visited the park last year. The park benefitted from the service of 96 volunteers who donated 5,009 hours of work time to the park.

The park held its usual array of events all of which were very successful.

The ninth annual Sculptural Visions event in September, was attended by over 400 people. The event featured a variety of different sculptors demonstrating different techniques from stone and wood carving, to working with cast paper and clay, as well as demonstrations of actual bronze casting and performances on a Fire Organ. In addition, there were plenty of hands-on activities for children, including working with clay, creating relief sculptures by embossing foil, and the opportunity to make a three dimensional plaster hand cast.

The Park hosted its fifth annual “Star Party” event with the Stellafane organization from Springfield, Vermont. For the second year in a row, we had to resort to our “rain date” as there were too many clouds on our primary night. The evening began with a presentation in the Bowling Green, which drew a large crowd. People were then treated to views of deep space objects through a number telescopes set up in the field below Aspet.

Working in tandem with our partner organization, the Saint-Gaudens Memorial, the park hosted a full slate of art exhibitions and concerts again last summer. Both the exhibitions and music program remain very popular amongst our visitors and help keep the park a living memorial to Saint-Gaudens and his artistic legacy. This included 11 concerts the most we have ever had in a single year since the series began in 1952.

Last year marked the 45th season for the Sculptor-in-Residence program, which is the oldest artist residency in the National Park Service. Jon Riedeman served as our sculptor in residence and received outstanding reviews from the public for his teaching abilities. The park offered a full slate of sculpture workshops this year thanks to Jon. He also conducted hands-on, mini-workshops for visiting school groups as part of the park’s expanding place-based educational program.

Park staff completed several facilities projects during the year to improve the condition of our buildings and grounds. The New Gallery received a new roof which we hope will correct some intermittent leaking issues. The Dance Hall at Blow-Me-Down Farm also received a new roof as well as some chimney repairs. Our historic preservation team has been busy with needed repairs to concrete and wood elements on Aspet and deteriorating wood on the pergola of the Little Studio. In addition, the park’s gardens and grounds continue to be meticulously maintained. With just these projects, it would have been a busy year, however, we also undertook one of the largest landscape restoration efforts to happen at the park in many years with the replacement of the Caretaker’s Cottage hedge, the removal of a non-historic hedge, and the installation of an entry courtyard in front of the park visitor center.

In the curatorial program, we continue to run an active museum loan program and to update our displays at the park. Changes, particularly in Aspet, include a new place setting in the dining room that helps bring the house back to life. This year, we also created a new exhibit in the visitor center using social media. We allowed people to select the theme and the objects to be displayed on the park’s Facebook page and then installed the exhibit in the visitor center.



Called “Raiders of the Lost Art,” we expect this successful experiment to make an appearance again in 2015.

Over the summer we successfully started a new museum internship program with a team of three interns working with staff for a comprehensive museum studies experience at the park as well as at several other area museums. Our plan is to expand this experience in 2015.

The park continues to host a natural resource study, funded by the National Park Foundation, which will examine the mercury levels found in dragonfly larvae. The project involves both Dartmouth College and Stevens High School. Through various industrial processes, mercury is deposited into aquatic ecosystems and ultimately bioaccumulates in the aquatic and terrestrial food webs. This is the reason that warnings and advisories are given regarding the human consumption of fish. The aim of the research is to determine if dragonfly larvae are good indicators of mercury status in the Northeast. The park also continues to partner with local schools to implement our terrestrial salamander monitoring program. This year, our Teacher-Ranger-Teacher was Lisa Holtz, who teaches third grade at Unity Elementary School. Lisa developed a stream ecology curriculum and lesson plans for use by 3rd-5<sup>th</sup> grade classes visiting the park. This National Park Service program brings teachers into parks during the summer to work with rangers on developing educational programs

Park staff would like to thank the members of the Cornish Police, Fire and Rescue Squads for their continued support this year. We are also thankful for our continued excellent relationship with the Saint-Gaudens Memorial who help enrich visitor experience at the park through their sponsorship of the concert and exhibitions program as well as providing support for the park’s interpretive and curatorial programs.

As we start our season in 2015, the park will begin observing our 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary as a National Park. We hope that you will all join us as we celebrate this milestone later this year with special anniversary exhibitions in the Picture Gallery starting in July and September and a special celebration at the end of September.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions, concerns, suggestions or ideas about the park or other areas in which the National Park Service might be of assistance to the community. I can be reached at 603/675-2175 ext. 143 or by email at [Rick\\_Kendall@nps.gov](mailto:Rick_Kendall@nps.gov).

Respectfully submitted,

Rick Kendall  
Superintendent

## SENIOR LUNCHEON

2014

Volunteer ladies have been serving a monthly meal to the “over 60” people of Cornish for 14 years. In the fall we bid farewell to our Coordinator of many years Anne Hier as she relocated to Brattleboro Vermont. We miss her but understand she is doing well and happy. Many thanks for all your years of service Anne.

We continue to be able to provide meals for \$2.50 per person thanks to donations of food and money. We pride ourselves on serving home cooking for most meals.

We have been entertained this year by the Cornish School Chorus and some private music students. Claremont Savings Bank again provided a turkey dinner in early December. Kudos to the girls from CSB – they not only brought the food but served it and washed dishes and cleaned up afterward – a real treat for our monthly crew. Thank you Claremont Savings Bank.

We would like to see more people come out for the luncheons. It’s a great way to visit with old friends and meet some new folks in town.

We would like to thank Becca Rumrill who helped us in the summer as part of her community service work for Windsor High School. We welcome other students who might like to do the same or any townspeople who would like to join us. If interested contact either co-coordinator.

Shirley Bladen	542-4622
Audrey Jacquier	469-3245
Co-Coordiators	

**SOUTHWESTERN COMMUNITY SERVICES**  
**2013-2014**

Southwestern Community Services provided:

\$60,402.00 – Direct Assistance to Cornish Residents  
180 – Total Units of Service Provided in Cornish  
\$335.57 – Average Benefit per Unit of Service

First and foremost, Southwestern Community Services would like to thank the citizens of Cornish for your support.

With the Town of Cornish's support, Southwestern Community Services provides assistance to residents through transitional housing and emergency shelter programs, workforce and senior rental housing, education and child-care, nutrition and health, energy conservation, utility programs, day and employment services for developmentally disabled individuals, and workforce development for clients and dislocated workers.

Last year SCS updated our town funding requests in the interest of fairness. SCS now requests 1% of the amount of direct support that SCS invested into that community in the previous program year. This means that from year-to-year the amount of the town funding requests will change. For example, if next year Cornish sees a decrease in the amount of direct support that SCS provides, Cornish will also see a decrease in the amount of funding that SCS requests from the town.

We look forward to future cooperation between SCS and Cornish. We always welcome visitors and encourage you to stop by our offices in Keene or Claremont for a tour and to further discuss the services we are able to offer.

Jamie L. J. White  
Program Associate

## SPRIT COMMITTEE

### 2014

In 2014, the Cornish Spirit Committee met and decided to work on a project to enhance the front area of the Cornish Town Office Building. In collaboration with the Cornish Conservation Commission and the Cornish Garden Club, our plan was to create a flowerbed to the left of the building with perennials and small shrubs. The area is about 42' wide and is in front of the parking area near the flag pole. The work is to be done in 2015.

The Spirit Committee used its 2014 funds to purchase railroad ties and rebar what will be used in the spring of 2015, to create, and border, the planned flowerbed. You will be hearing more about our project in ConnectCornish as we will need volunteers to prepare the soil and get the plants ready for the area. We will be looking for donations of perennials and have a commitment from the Cornish Garden Club for some special memorial plantings.

We want to thank Caroline Storrs for her many years of dedicated service. If anyone has ideas for future projects, please contact a member of the Spirit Committee. Our goal is to preserve and enhance the beauty and character of our town with the volunteer help of spirited Cornish residents.

Respectfully submitted,

Colleen O'Neill  
Christine Heins  
Shelley Brookings



**PROPOSED BUDGET  
AND ESTIMATE OF REVENUE - COUNTY**

For County of: **SULLIVAN**

Date of Convention: \_\_\_\_\_ Fiscal Year Ending: **Proposed FY15 Commissioners Budget**\_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: **14 Main Street, Newport, NH 03773**\_\_\_\_\_

Phone #: **603-863-2560** \_\_\_\_\_ Fax #: **603-863-9314** \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail: **dodi@sullivancountydh.gov**

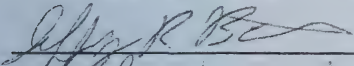
Prepared by: **Dodi Violette, Account Clerk I** \_\_\_\_\_


Use this form to prepare the county budget for delivery to each member of the county convention who will be in office on the date of appropriation vote and to the chairman of the board of selectmen or mayor for each city/town within the county, and to the Secretary of State as required by RSA 24:21-a. It must also be submitted to the Department of Revenue Administration by September 1 per RSA 21-J:34.

**COMMISSIONERS**

Please sign in ink.

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined the information contained in this form and to the best of my belief it is true, correct and complete.

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
**Benjamin C. Nelson**

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
**Chair**

FOR DRA USE ONLY

NH DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION  
MUNICIPAL SERVICES DIVISION  
P.O. BOX 487, CONCORD, NH 03302-0487  
(603)230-5090

MS-46  
Rev. 12/11

1	2	3	4	5
Acct.#	APPROPRIATIONS OR EXPENDITURES	Appropriations Previous Fiscal Year 14	Expenditures Previous 3/31/2014	Proposed Budget FY 15
<b>GENERAL GOVERNMENT</b>				
4110	County Convention Costs 10980	3,500.00	293.39	2,500.00
4120	Judicial			
4122	Jury Costs			
4123	County Attorney's Office 10410	558,866.00	375,859.38	554,081.00
4124	Victim Witness Advocacy Program 10411	81,474.00	60,399.79	79,016.00
4130	Executive 10403	163,619.00	52,540.47	131,971.00
4150	Financial Administration 10400 + 10402	308,746.00	222,167.00	430,472.00
4151	Treasurer 10401	5,789.00	4,161.70	5,790.00
4153	Other Legal Costs			
4155	Personnel Administration 10520	331,677.00	244,701.88	540,044.00
4191	Planning and Zoning for Uninc.Places			
4192	Medical Examiner 10450	9,000.00	4,996.85	10,000.00
4193	Register of Deeds 22420	365,962.00	271,725.29	325,256.00
4194	Maintenance of Government Bldg. 460+497	211,272.00	178,512.50	219,116.00
4196	Insurance, Not Otherwise Allocated			
4198	Contingency			
4199	Other (specify) 10407, F24 W/OUT SHERIFF + F41	297,198.00	215,119.05	324,405.00
<b>PUBLIC SAFETY</b>				
4211	Sheriff's Department 10440 + 10443	743,686.00	554,906.73	724,475.00
4212	Custody of Prisoners			
4214	Sheriff's Support Services			
4219	Other Public Safety F24 Sheriff Accts.	154,012.00	127,947.63	159,061.00
<b>CORRECTIONS</b>				
4230	Corrections 10600	4,134,830.00	2,973,681.90	4,331,108.00
4235	Adult Probation and Parole			
<b>COUNTY FARM</b>				
4301	Administration			
4302	Operating Expenditures			
4309	Other County Farm Expenditures			
<b>COUNTY NURSING HOME</b>				
4411	Administration 40500	1,131,156.00	664,142.79	1,243,156.00
4412	Operating Expense All Fund 40-40500	13,044,602.00	9,183,509.39	12,476,479.00
4439	Other Health 10700 Facilities	540,739.00	310,294.58	522,980.00
<b>HUMAN SERVICES</b>				
4441	Administration	5,001,635.00	3,307,528.05	5,461,000.00
4442	Direct Assistance All 10490			
4443	Board and Care of Children			
4446	Diversion Program			
4447	Special Outside Services			
	Other (Specify) 10861 Cty. Grants	181,500.00	88,250.00	186,000.00

1	2	3	4	5
Acct.#	APPROPRIATIONS OR EXPENDITURES	Appropriations Previous Fiscal Year 14	Expenditures Previous 3/31/2014	Proposed Budget FY 15
<b>COOPERATIVE EXTENSION</b>				
4611	Administration 10475	224,004.00	179,510.76	243,526.00
4619	Other Conservation 10406 Natural Resources	93,385.00	66,290.03	113,452.00
<b>ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT</b>				
4651	Administration			
4652	Economic Development			
4659	Other Economic Development			
<b>DEBT SERVICE</b>				
4711	Principal Long-Term Bonds/Notes 10970.91	749,545.00	660,000.00	860,000.00
4721	Interest Long-Term Bonds/Notes 10970-20090	248,425.00	164,050.00	170,398.00
	Other (Specify) 10900-20092 Int. RAN	5,000.00	-	-
<b>INTERGOVERNMENTAL TRANSFERS</b>				
4800	Intergovernmental Transfers			
<b>CAPITAL OUTLAY</b>				
4901	Land and Improvements (detail below) 42700	50,000.00	1,239,083.63	-
4902	Machinery 10481-21097,40480-21096 & 97	123,000.00	100,707.50	359,600.00
4903	Buildings (detail below) 10482 & 10483	1,707,500.00	-	10,000.00
4904	Improvements Other than Bldg. 10484	558,000.00	378,054.75	339,500.00
<b>INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFERS</b>				
4912	To Special Revenue Fund			
4913	To Capital Projects Fund			
4914	To Proprietary Funds			
4915	To Capital Reserve Funds			
4916	To Trust and Fiduciary Funds			
<b>TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS</b>		<b>31,028,122.00</b>	<b>21,628,435.04</b>	<b>29,823,386.00</b>

**OPTIONAL:** Use this box to provide additional detail of amounts in account lines.

ACCT #	Additional Description	Amount
10481-21096		18,000.00
10481-21097		-
10482-21096		10,000.00
10484-21096		339,500.00
40480-21096		256,800.00
40480-21097		84,800.00
		709,100.00

1	2	3	4	5
Acct.#	SOURCES OF REVENUES	Estimated Revenue Previous Fiscal Year 14	Actual Revenue Previous 3/31/2014	Estimated Revenue Ensuing FY 15
<b>ASSESSMENTS/TAXES</b>				
3110	Property Taxes Levied for Unincorporated Places			
3120	Land Use Change Taxes for Unincorporated Places			
3180	Resident Taxes for Unincorporated Places			
3185	Yield Taxes for Unincorporated Places			
3186	Payments in Lieu of Taxes for Unincorporated Places			
3187	Payments in Lieu of Taxes			
3189	Other Taxes			
3191	Penalties on Delinquent Municipal Assessments			
3200	Licenses, Permits, and Fees			
3319	REVENUE FROM THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT			
<b>REVENUE FROM THE STATE OF NH</b>				
3351	Shared Revenue for Unincorporated Places			
3352	Incentive Funds			
3354	Water Pollution Grants			
3355	Housing and Community Development 40097-05038	(1,762,875.00)	-	(1,798,720.00)
3356	State & Fed. Forest Land Reim. in Unincorporated Places			
3359	Other (Specify) 10410, 10411, 10490 + F24 Not Sheriff a/c's	(348,005.00)	(267,678.95)	(364,505.00)
3379	INTERGOVERNMENTAL REVENUES			
<b>REVENUES FROM CHARGES FOR SERVICES</b>				
3401	Sheriff's Department 10440, 10443 + F24 Sheriff a/c's	(317,917.00)	(207,927.00)	(314,276.00)
3402	Register of Deeds 22420	(340,000.00)	(254,817.05)	(330,000.00)
3403	County Corrections 10600	(107,500.00)	(80,118.73)	(107,500.00)
3404	County Nursing Homes All F40 minus 4008, 5028, 5038, 6060 & 6041	(11,336,513.00)	(8,376,065.34)	(11,929,688.00)
3405	County Farm			
3406	Cooperative Extension Service			
3407	Maintenance Department			
3409	Other (Specify) F41 - Trust Funds	-	(75.62)	-



1	2	3	4	5
Acct.#	SOURCES OF REVENUES	Estimated Revenue Previous Fiscal Year 14	Actual Revenue Previous 3/31/2014	Estimated Revenue Ensuing FY 15
REVENUE FROM MISCELLANEOUS SOURCES				
3501	Sale of County Property			
3502	Interest on Investments 10100-04001	(12,500.00)	(3,623.23)	(12,500.00)
3503	Rents of Property 10460-04018, 10100-8058, 9083	(213,709.00)	(176,947.78)	(215,821.00)
3508	Contributions and Donations			
350	Other (Specify) 4015, 7600, 10475-06100 + 8055	(15,000.00)	(23,612.47)	(27,158.00)
350	Other (Specify) 42700 Biomass	(1,500,000.00)	(2,800,000.00)	-
OTHER FINANCIAL SOURCES				
3912	Transfer from Special Revenue Funds			
3913	Transfer from Capital Projects Funds			
3914	Transfer from Proprietary Funds			
3915	Transfer from Capital Reserve Funds			
3916	Transfer from Trust and Agency Funds			
3934	Proceeds from Long-Term Notes/Bonds			
REVENUE SUBTOTAL		(15,954,019.00)	(12,190,866.17)	(15,100,168.00)
FUND BALANCE TO REDUCE TAX RATE		(1,188,500.00)		(709,100.00)
TOTAL REVENUES		(17,142,519.00)	(26,076,469.17)	(15,809,268.00)
TAXES		(13,885,603.00)	(13,885,603.00)	(14,014,118.00)

BUDGET SUMMARY

Proposed Total Appropriations	29,823,386.00
Total Estimated Revenues	(15,809,268.00)
Proposed Amount to be Raised by Taxes	(14,014,118.00)

# SULLIVAN COUNTY NUTRITION SERVICES

## Meals-on-Wheels

### 2014

#### History

The Meals-on-Wheels (MOW) program delivered its first meal in Philadelphia, PA in 1954. The program was modeled after a similar program that was started in England to support seniors during World War II. In 1972, the federal government made the program a permanent program through the implementation of the Older American's Act. The act provides a basis for providing meals to seniors (60 years or older) or people with qualifying disabilities. As an integral part of the act, the framework for funding not only involved federal support but also monies from local sources, 15 to 20% to be raised from local support (counties & municipalities) with the balance derived through private donations. Obviously these are general guidelines, but it points out that community participation and personal commitment are key elements.

Sullivan County Nutrition Services (SCNS) started its participation in the Meals-on-Wheels program in 1972, and operated out of a department store's basement in Newport. The initial program served 25 meals per day and had an initial operating budget of \$20,000. In 1980, the program established meal sites in Claremont and Charlestown to meet an ever growing need for service. Forty-two years later we are serving over 130,000 meals per year. All but two communities in Sullivan County receive meal services through this program (Plainfield and Langdon). We have not received any requests from these communities. Should there be a request, we would make every accommodation to service the request.

#### Community Support

SCNS requests each community that is being served to support the MOW program. Our request reflects the number of meals and individuals that have been served in your community during the past year and the historical trend that has been experienced. If your community is not served, no money is requested. If your community has few meals and people being served historically, then it is conceivable that your requested support would be reduced. Should your community have an increase in meals served, a modest increase is often requested. The bottom line is that we simply ask for support that is commensurate with the degree of service provided and seldom is equal to the total cost of service. Any difference is raised through private donations, and is consistent with the funding formula that was put forth by the Older American's Act.

#### SCNS

Sullivan County Nutrition Services is a part of the Newport Senior Center, a 501(c)3 organization. SCNS operates three congregate meal sites in Newport, Earl Bourdon Center (Claremont) and at the Town Office Complex in Charlestown. We have an annual independent audit performed each year and must comply with all aspects of the program grant guidelines. Oversight is provided by the State of NH, Department of Elder and Adult Services. We encourage communities to visit us and to discuss any questions they have about any aspect of the program. Thank you in advance for your support.

**TOWN CLERK**  
**2014**

I would like to remind Cornish residents that dog licenses are due by April 30. It is a NH State Law that all dogs are licensed every year. Cornish Police Department has increased the unlicensed dog fee to \$50.00 per dog.

The majority of dog owners faithfully register their dogs annually. Please renew early and avoid a visit from the Police Department with additional fees.

Motor Vehicle renewals are very successful through the mail and please remember to include a self-addressed **stamped** envelope to get them returned to you.

If you are transferring vehicles, please bring in your **old registration** at the time of transfer as the state requires you to surrender the old one. If you do not have this old registration, there is a fee of \$17.50 that has to be added to the amount due. If you are traveling and will be out of town, you can renew your registrations 4 months early. Please avoid unnecessary fees from the Department of Motor Vehicles with an expired registration.

During 2014 the following fees were collected and submitted to the Treasurer:

Motor Vehicles	\$289,397.00
Dogs	\$2,832.00
Dog Fines	\$250.00
Vitals	\$750.00
Marriages	\$720.00
Misc	\$1,024.00
Total	\$294,973.00

Respectfully submitted,  
Paula Harthan  
Town Clerk

## TOWN FOREST REPORT

### 2014

The traditional spring meeting and roadside clean up took place on April 26. Doug Miller, Jim Fitch, Steve Wilke, Ed Woodbury and Ginny Prince attended. Topics discussed included forest inventory, invasive plants, progress on the Valley Quest, potential summer activities and ways to control damage from motor vehicles.

On May 21 Ginny and Steve met with our county forester Glen Gladders to discuss inventorying the town forest; a daunting task. We toured the forest while doing this.

August 8 was the date of the summer meeting. Karl Brewer, Doug Freeland, Ed and Ginny discussed the ATV issue, the forest inventory, and progress on the new trail and the fall workday. We clipped invasive plants, cleaned drainage ditches on the loop road and blocked motor vehicle access to last years' party spot.

On Oct 12 Patrick Clancy, Daniel and Bill Palmer, Ed and Ginny met for the fall meeting and very successful workday. We clipped invasive buckthorn and barberry, cleared low brush at the lookout and hiked the tentative layout of the new trail. The next day Jim Fitch and Ginny placed a "band aid" of hemlock boards over the weak spots in the culvert on Root Hill Rd. Later in the fall Ginny worked on buckthorn (both species) on the power line, cutting it and applying triclopyr to the cut stumps.

Ginny has taken on maintenance of the forest webpage on the town website. Visit for info about the town forest, current events, maps, the management plan and a photo gallery.

Many anonymous friends of the forest perform trail maintenance throughout the year. As a result the trails were in excellent shape once again. Loop road maintenance and release of desired trees such apple and spruce was performed as usual.

The forest continues to be very popular for hunting, mountain biking, hiking, snowshoeing and skiing. Maps are posted near the start of each trail and are also available at the town office and online on the newly updated webpage. The Eagles Ledge lean-to is available for anyone to use. Check out the many great entries in the logbook at the lookout!

As in past years, the town forest budget includes no tax money. State law requires that spending any funds, donation or payment or otherwise, must be authorized in the warrant, so the committee is requesting permission to spend up to \$1500 for trail marking materials and other miscellaneous items for repair and construction of signs, bridges, gates etc.

For more information, if you're interested in youth or community projects or to share thoughts about the town forest contact any committee member:

Ginny Prince, chair: 675.2129 <[virginiatprince@gmail.com](mailto:virginiatprince@gmail.com)>

Jim Fitch [fitchfarm@gmail.com](mailto:fitchfarm@gmail.com)

Ed Woodbury [edwoodbury@hotmail.com](mailto:edwoodbury@hotmail.com)

Steve Wilkie [stevendwilkie@yahoo.com](mailto:stevendwilkie@yahoo.com)

John Hammond, select board



## VISITING NURSE AND HOSPICE FOR VT & NH 2014

### *Home Health, Hospice and Maternal Child Health Services in Cornish, NH*

Visiting Nurse and Hospice for Vermont and New Hampshire (VNH) is a compassionate, non-profit healthcare organization committed to providing the highest quality home health and hospice services to individuals and their families. VNH provides care for people of all ages and at all stages in life, and delivers care to all, regardless of ability to pay.

VNH services reduce costs associated with town programs for emergency response and elder care. With quality care provided at home, there is less need for costly hospital and emergency room trips. And with VNH support, residents can age in place rather than relocating to a state or local nursing home.

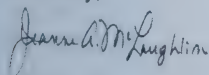
Between July 1, 2013 and June 30, 2014, VNH made 362 homecare visits to 24 Cornish residents. This included approximately \$19,379 in unreimbursed care to Cornish residents.

- **Home Health Care:** 158 home visits to 20 residents with short-term medical or physical needs.
- **Hospice Services:** 192 home visits to 2 residents who were in the final stages of their lives.
- **Maternal and Child Health Services:** 12 home visits to 2 residents for well baby, preventative and palliative medical care.

Additionally, residents made visits to VNH wellness clinics at local senior and community centers throughout the year, receiving low- and no-cost services including blood pressure screenings, foot care, cholesterol testing, and flu shots.

Cornish's annual appropriation to VNH helps to ensure that all have access to quality care when and where it is needed most. On behalf of the people we serve, we thank you for your continued support.

Sincerely,



Jeanne McLaughlin, President & CEO (1-888-300-8853)

## ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT 2014

There were no cases brought before the Zoning Board of Adjustment in 2014.

Caroline Storrs	(Chairperson)
Jason Bourne	(Vice Chairperson)
William Balch	(Clerk)
Bruce Tracey	
James Brown	
Karim Chichakly	(Alternate)
Kate Freeland	(Alternate)
Dale Rook	(Alternate)

**Town Directory and Information**

Police, Fire Medical Emergencies	911
Police, Non-emergency	543-0535
Fire, Non-emergency	675-2221
Cornish Rescue, Ambulance	675-2221
Selectmen, Assessing Office	675-5611
Town Office Fax	675-5605
Town Clerk	675-5207
Tax Collector	675-5221
Highway Garage	675-2205
Cornish Elementary School	675-5891
Library	543-3644
E-mail	townbos@comcast.net
	cornishtownclerk@comcast.net
	cornishtaxcollector1@comcast.net
	cornishtreasurer@comcast.net

**Meeting Schedules and Hours**

Town Boards meet at Town Office Bldg. - School Board meets at School	
Town Office/Assessing	Tue & Thur 8:30-4:00 PM
	Fri 9:30-5:00 PM
Selectmen	Monday 6:30-8:30 PM
	Friday 3:00-5:00 PM
Town Clerk	Monday through Thursday 5:00-7:00 PM
	Last Saturday of the Month 9:00-NOON
Tax Collector	Thursday 4:30-7:00 PM
Planning Board	1st and 3rd Thursday of each Month 7:00 PM
Zoning Board (as needed)	1st Monday of each Month 7:00 PM
Conservation Commission	4th Wednesday of each Month 7:00 PM
Cornish School Board	3rd Monday of each Month 7:00 PM
Cornish Library	Monday and Friday 4:00-6:00 PM
Brenda Freeland, Librarian	Wednesday 4:00-8:00 PM
	Saturday 10:00-NOON

**General Assistance & Senior Resources:**

Pam Annis	542-3781
Nancy Newbold	675-2394
Marie Durusha	558-0391

**TOWN OF CORNISH**  
**WHO to see about WHAT and WHEN**

---

**SELECTMEN**

Selectmen's Secretary-Mary Curtis  
Phone 675-5611  
Fax 675-5605

Monday 12:30-8:30pm  
Tue & Thur 8:30-4pm  
Fri 9:30-5:00pm  
Closed Weds

Abatements (Property Tax)  
Building Permits  
Camping permits  
Current Use Applications  
Elderly Tax Exemption  
Intent to Cut Lumber  
Assessing

Pistol Permits  
Property Tax Cards  
Property Tax Maps  
Raffle Permits  
Septic Dig Approvals  
Subdivision Applications  
Veterans Tax Credit

Other Questions – See Selectmen

---

**TOWN CLERK**

Paula Harthan  
675-5207

Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays  
& Thursdays 5:00 – 7:00 pm  
Last Saturday of Month 9-Noon

Cemetery Records  
Dog Licenses  
Vital Statistics  
Minutes – Planning Board, Zoning Board & Conservation Commission

Motor Vehicle Permits  
Dredge and Fill Permits  
Genealogy Information  
Marriage Licenses

---

**TAX COLLECTOR**

Reigh Helen Sweetser  
675-5221

Thursday 4:30 – 7:00 pm

Property Tax

---

**BUILDING PERMITS**

New Housing Units	\$100.00
Barns, Garages, Additions, Pole Barns	\$50.00
Pools: In Ground or Above	\$35.00
Decks, Dormers, Sheds, Carports	\$50.00
Camping Permits	\$10.00



**ANNUAL REPORT**  
of the  
**Cornish School District**  
March 2015

---

**Officers of the School District**

Clerk	Kimberly Patterson
Treasurer	Shirley Bladen
Moderator	Gwyn Gallagher

**School Board Members**

Holly Taft	Term Expires 2017
Cathy Parks	Term Expires 2017
Troy Simino	Term Expires 2015
Sharon Tribou-St. Martin	Term Expires 2015
Glenn Thornton	Term Expires 2016

**Auditors**  
Plodzik & Sanderson

## 2015 Annual Report of the School Board

The Town of Cornish has come to a crossroad that will prove to be crucial to the future of Cornish School. We have faced declining enrollment and increasing costs for many years. With the recent enrollment forecast from NESDEC, we find ourselves at a point where conducting business as usual is no longer an option. Predicted to have a student population of less than seventy in five years, we simply must be proactive to ensure the continued existence and excellence of our school.

The past year has found us struggling with many issues. Many of which has raised eyebrows and tempers and clarified the importance of how carefully we must navigate the sea before us. We persevered and have arrived today, if not in harmonious agreement, with the knowledge that the path forward will best be taken in the spirit of respect and fellowship.

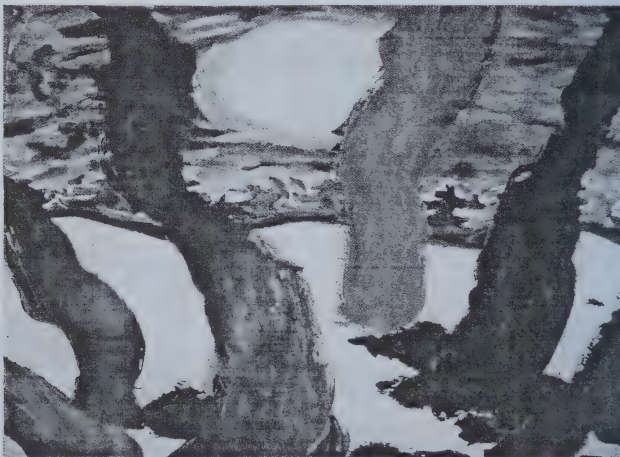
The next year will be a seminal one. We must decide how we shall create a school that will serve the needs of our children, honor the intent of a public education with respect to the taxpayers of Cornish, and provide the staff and employees with a rewarding place to excel at their profession.

It will not be easy. It will not be without hard work. It will not be painless.

It will be among the most important things this town has come together to accomplish.

Respectfully,

Troy Simino, Chair Cornish School Board



Painting by Hadley

# **Cornish School District Annual Report, March 2015**

## **A letter from the Superintendent of Schools**

This report has been prepared to keep all Cornish residents informed about their community's K-8 school.

The Cornish Elementary School is a unique public school with many valued traditions. However, comparable to other New Hampshire public school districts, the Cornish School District faces several challenges.

One of the immediate challenges is declining enrollment.

- In 2004, the school enrollment was 140 students.
- Ten years later (2014), the enrollment has dropped to 100 students.
- In the next ten years, enrollment is expected to continue declining to 63 students.<sup>1</sup>

Another challenge, also comparable to New Hampshire public school districts experiencing declining enrollment, is sustaining meaningful educational program opportunities as the cost per pupil increases.

As the FY16 school district budget was developed, the Cornish School Board addressed several issues, including a decrease in adequacy aid, reduction in available grant funding, as well as increasing medical insurance and New Hampshire state retirement costs.

In light of such challenges, the Cornish School Board evaluated current school programs and practices in order to determine the need to make strategic changes for 2015-2016.

One strategic change being considered (at the time this report was written) is establishing a full day kindergarten (FDK) program for the 2015-2016 school year.

A Full Day Kindergarten Feasibility Study Committee (Greg Clark, Liz Clark, Linda Coolidge, and Samantha Davidson Green) worked over the past year to determine the feasibility of offering FDK in Cornish.

---

<sup>1</sup> Cornish Elementary School Enrollment Projection Report, 2014-2024. (January 5, 2015). New England School Development Council (NESDEC).

The FDK Feasibility Study Committee's presentation to the Cornish School Board this past fall included several reasons why FDK is being recommended:

- Children who attend full day kindergarten learn more in reading and math over the kindergarten year than those in half day programs;
- Children in full-day programs receive 40-50% more instruction than children enrolled in half-day programs. More instructional time allows for increased learning activities and strategies such as group read aloud, peer tutoring, mixed ability grouping and child initiated activities (30% more time on reading and 46% more time on math);
- Full-day kindergartners tend to have higher academic achievement in later grades, have better attendance in kindergarten and through primary grades, while demonstrating enhanced social, emotional and behavior development.

The Full Day Kindergarten Feasibility Study Committee's presentation is available on the Cornish Elementary School website: [Cornish Full Day Kindergarten Presentation 11-17-14.](#)

The Cornish Elementary School's declining enrollment, and increasing costs, prompted a group of residents to form the Cornish School District SAU Planning Committee. This committee's purpose was to study the advisability of withdrawing from SAU #6.

The goals of this committee were *1. Keeping the best interests of Cornish students first and foremost in our decision making process; 2. Make decisions which seek the long-term sustainability of our local school; and, 3. Recognize the fiscal impact of our decisions on the town of Cornish and its residents.*

The safety and security of children remains everyone's number one priority. As a result, and due to incidences of violence that continue to occur in public school throughout the nation, the Cornish School Board revised security protocols and policies.

One protocol involved securing all exterior school doors during the school day.<sup>2</sup>

In June 2014 the SAU #6 School Board (comprised of school board members representing Cornish, Unity, and Claremont) extended my contract for an additional four years.

---

<sup>2</sup> 88 percent of our nation's public schools have established a controlled access security system by locking or monitoring doors during the school day.



With this 2014-2018 extension, the school board and I agreed to four specific goals:

1. Create collaborative, trusting, empathetic, high performing team environment for each building including administrative, staff, faculty, students, families, and community.
2. Define academic achievement into five measureable goals. Report on progress against goals no less than quarterly.
3. Develop individual development programs for each faculty member to provide training and tools necessary to be successful with Goal #2.
4. Ensure financial rigor to work within budgets and provide needed flexibility to respond to unanticipated financial shocks

To accomplish Goal # 2, we established a clear understanding of what “academic achievement goals” were, and a protocol to measure students’ progress during the school year. Quarterly presentations on students’ progress are made to the Cornish, Claremont, and Unity School Boards throughout the year.

#### What Are Cornish Elementary School Academic Achievement Goals?

- 1.) Non-negotiable mathematics and writing skills students will be expected to learn and demonstrate proficiency with by the end of a school year;
- 2.) Mathematics and writing skills that are of value in other subjects;
- 3.) Knowledge/skills that are necessary for students’ success in the next grade level, or course, and especially in college or a career following high school graduation.

By clarifying which mathematics and writing skills need to be mastered by the end of a student’s school year, we can be confident that specific skills will be developed in each grade level.

Since March of 2014, Cornish Elementary School parents have received weekly updates involving their child’s progress. Such effective teacher feedback <sup>3</sup> will help monitor students’ progress throughout the school year.

---

<sup>3</sup> Effective teacher feedback helps students understand what was correct, what was incorrect, and what needs to occur to improve. Students who experience continuous effective feedback from their teachers are more successful in school than those who do not.

Providing effective feedback is an ongoing process in which teachers communicate information to students that helps them better understand what they are to learn, what high-quality performance looks like, and what changes are necessary to improve their learning.

Cornish School Board Policy IKB (Homework Guidelines) also supports the importance of effective teacher feedback by including the following expectation: "...assigning homework to students, expect students to complete assignments on time, return it to the students in a timely manner with quality feedback, and hold students accountable for incomplete or missing work."

In closing, I wrote and included the following paragraph in my first Cornish School District Annual Report:

*Despite fiscal challenges, the Cornish School District will remain on point and continue to view challenges as opportunities to improve. This approach of "doing business differently" will confront student learning outcomes in a forthcoming and honest manner, avoiding excuses, while always accepting ownership and responsibility.*

Though several challenges remain three years later, none will be insurmountable if we continue to view each as an opportunity.

On behalf of the Cornish Elementary School students, and staff, thank you for your support and help with preparing the Cornish community's children for a bright future.

Yours truly,

Middleton K. McGoodwin, Ed. D.  
Superintendent of Schools

***"The real path to greatness, it turns out, requires simplicity and diligence. . . It demands each of us to focus on what is vital, and to eliminate all of the extraneous distractions."***

Jim Collins, author of Good to Great

---

When feedback provides explicit guidance that helps students adjust their learning (e.g., "Can you think of another way to approach this task?"), there is a greater impact on achievement, students are more likely to take risks with their learning, and they are more likely to keep trying until they succeed.

When teachers communicate effectively students can see more easily the connections between what they are doing in class and what they are supposed to learn. Effective teacher feedback helps students determine what they need to pay attention to, and where they might need help from the teacher or others. This clarity helps decrease anxiety about their ability to succeed.

## STUDENT ENROLLMENT

### Elementary School (02/02/15)

Pre- Kindergarten	5	4th Grade	11
Kindergarten	7	5th Grade	7
1st Grade	11	6th Grade	17
2nd Grade	10	7th Grade	12
3rd Grade	11	8th Grade	11
TOTAL ENROLLMENT:		102	

### Public High School Enrollments (2/02/15)

	Claremont	Hanover	Hartford	Lebanon	Windsor	Total
9th Grade	1	0	8	5	4	18
10th Grade	0	1	5	8	6	20
11th Grade	0	0	3	1	11	15
12th Grade	2	0	6	3	8	19
TOTALS:	3	1	22	17	29	72

## HIGH SCHOOL

	14-15	Rate \$	Total \$	15-16	Rate \$	Total \$
Stevens	3	15,907	47,721	2	18,715	37,430
Hartford	22	11,600	255,200	22	16,000	352,000
Windsor	29	15,200	440,800	23	16,195	372,485
Hanover	1	15,907	15,907	1	18,715	18,715
Lebanon	17	14,427	245,259	17	14,750	250,750
TOTALS	72		1,004,887	65		1,031,380
Out of State			696,000			724,485
In State			308,887			306,895

## Principal & Teachers ~ 2013-2014

Sylvia Sivret	Principal
Linda Coolidge (0.5)	Kindergarten
Christine Bourne	Grade 3/4
Dawn Crary	Grade 1/2
Elizabeth Tilton-Wahlert	5 & 6 Language Arts & Social Studies
Kelsey Dangelo	7 & 8 Language Arts & Social Studies
Catherine McCarthy	5 – 8 Mathematics
Paul Hammond IV	5 – 8 Science
Rachel Roper	Library Media Specialist
Kimberlee Terrien	Reading Specialist
Gina Graciano (0.6)	Guidance
William McFee (0.6) (BASP PT)	Physical Education
Kelly LeCreta (0.6)	Art
Lois Buchan (0.6)	K-8 Music
Thelma Poitras	Special Educator
Kimberly Meyers	Special Educator

## School Support Staff

Dale Lawrence	Administrative Assistant
Mary Liz Lynch	Nurse
Michael Monette	Maintenance/Custodian
Everett Strout / Laura Brooks	Part Time Evening Custodians
Jane Brodeur (BASP PT)	Paraprofessional
Cheryl Ryan	Paraprofessional
Nancy Thornton	Paraprofessional
Sonya Fielder	Paraprofessional – Special Education
Alisha Vigneault	Paraprofessional – Special Education
Ruth Schneider	Paraprofessional – Title I
Vicki Coffran	Paraprofessional – Special Education
Valentina Fusco	Paraprofessional
Tracey Hanson	Paraprofessional – Special Education
Megan Formichelli (BASP PT)	Paraprofessional–Special Ed
Irma Hany Von Gillern (0.5)	Paraprofessional
Sandra Redlands	Substitute Coordinator
Paige Lambert	B&ASP Director
Marie Stewart	After School Program Asst.

## Contracted Support

Kate LeFebvre	O.T.R. & C.O.T.A
John Perrin	O.T.R. & C.O.T.A
Susan Durant	Speech/Language Pathologist
Mary Ann Salvatoriello	School Psychologist
Jill McGurk	Café Services



## **Principal's Report 2015**

Cornish Elementary School Staff has continued its commitment to increased student achievement by formalizing our academic expectations in the areas of math, reading, and writing. Four reports will be made to the school board and to parents using data gathered through Professional Learning Communities (PLCs). Data points include standardized tests results, formative and summative assessments used in each classroom, and writing samples judged by either Six Traits Rubrics (K-2) or Smarter Balanced Rubrics (3-8) We have dedicated Response to Instruction (RtI) time in our schedules to provide additional support for students who have not yet mastered standards assigned to their grade levels in reading and math. At these times, we can also offer enrichment activities to those students who have mastered the standards. We have been focusing on fact fluency in math. Across all grade levels, reading and writing are emphasized.

We celebrated our students' summer reading performance by a full school barbeque, orchestrated by our new Cafe Services chef Jill McGuirk with help from Mary Page, Mike Monette, and a number of staff volunteers working the line.

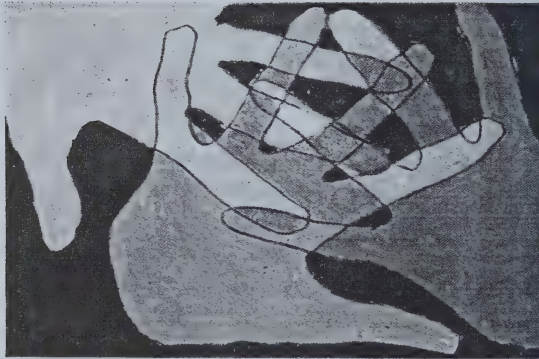
We continue to prepare our students for the MAP and NECAP (science) standardized tests, as well as for our teachers' formative and summative assessments. All teachers are helping their students achieve mastery of the non-negotiable reading and writing standards which our superintendent has extracted from the common core. These standards are concise and clear, and make it possible for parents to partner with teachers so students can receive help both at home and at school. This year's new Smarter Balanced Tests require us to help students learn how to use the technology interface as well as navigate a test which asks them for very different information than previous tests did. For instance, students may select ALL of the correct answers from an array rather than only one correct answer. A select number of our grade 4 students will participate in the annual NAEP (National Assessment of Educational Progress) tests which will compare their progress to that of other students across the country.

Our specials of art, music, and physical education encourage our students to use their creativity and energy. This year's fall performance of *The Gift of the Rebel Elf* allowed them to demonstrate their newly acquired skills in these areas.

We are grateful for our volunteers for Four Winds, for our athletic programs and facilities, our L.I.F.E. and mini course activities, and various committees. We always appreciate the commitment this community has to Cornish Elementary School.

Respectfully yours,

Sylvia Sivret



Picture by Andrew

## MAINTENANCE REPORT 2014-2015

The summer of 2014 was very challenging due to not being able to hire part time summer help. We did our best to get everything done but unfortunately, that was not possible.

Last year's summer projects included:

- Treating and painting of the west side roof
- Changing out the heat detectors and their protective cages on the gym ceiling. (Per FMO report) We changed all the gym light bulbs at the same time.
- Finished the last classroom ceiling with fire retardant tiles. This completes the previous correction plan issued by the fire department.
- Moving of the staff room and the 1<sup>st</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> grades. We also moved the nurse's office.

The new control system for the heating system is still a work in progress which should be up and running soon.

A special warrant article for the upgrading of the automatic fire alarm/life safety system will be on the warrant. When this is completed, the FMO report and our three year correction plan should be close to being completed.

Respectfully submitted,  
Michael Monette, Maintenance  
January 14, 2015



## Cornish Athletic Report 2014-2015

Due to declining enrollment, we were unable to sustain a soccer program this fall for our students. Fortunately, they were able to participate in area schools and recreation centers around us.

Under the direction of our Athletic Liaison, Bill McFee, who is also our PE Teacher, we had 2 different basketball teams. Boy's 3/4 coached by Greg Clark and Bill McFee and Girls 4,5,6 coached by Kelly Callahan. Once again, older students were able to participate in other programs either at other local schools or community centers.

We do not anticipate the ability to field either baseball, softball or soccer teams in the near future. We are thankful to the area schools and community centers who welcome our athletes with open arms, and give them the ability to show their talents and grow.

## CCPTO Annual Report 2014-2015

CCPTO stands for the Cornish Community Parent Teacher Organization. It is named Cornish Community because our mission is to enhance educational and social opportunities while strengthening school and community ties.

The following list represents programs and activities with which the CCPTO has been involved during the 2013-2014 school year.

- Open House – provide financial support, help host
- Summer Reading Initiative – sponsor
- Four Winds Science Program – provide financial support
- Field Trips and Field Trip Transportation – provide financial support
- Graduation Awards – provide financial support
- Kindergarten Welcome Kits – finance
- Lifelong Activities – coordinate/provide financial support
- Playground Equipment – finance
- Classroom Materials – provide financial support
- Cornish School Clothing – sponsor
- Holiday Shop – coordinate/sponsor
- Yearbook – support
- Coaches Appreciation Gifts – coordinate/finance
- Inform the Cornish Community of school activities through Connect Cornish, newsletters, sandwich board – coordinate
- Cornish Drama Program – support
- 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Trip to Washington, DC – support
- Enrichment:
  - Storytelling Evening with Rebecca Rule – coordinate/provide financial support
  - Author Visit with SS Taylor – coordinate/provide financial support
  - Author Visit with Melissa Stewart – coordinate/provide financial support

### 2013/2014 Fundraisers

- The Cornish Fair – main fundraiser (raised over \$5000 in 2014)
- Innisbrook Wrapping Paper – fundraiser (raised \$1000 in 2014)
- Box Tops for Education – (raised \$250 in 2014)
- Campbell's Soup Labels- (have collected >5,000 labels)
- Price Chopper Tools For Schools (raised \$150 in 2014)
- CCPTO cookbook (raised \$300)



Our goals for the 2014/2015 school year include supporting enrichment activities at our school through the coordination of programs, events, and fundraising. We would also like to grow our membership in the upcoming year to enable our committee to plan and support more school events that highlight our students and their accomplishments. Please consider joining our committee. We meet on the first Wednesday of every month at 6:30pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
CCPTO



Picture by Abigail

**Cornish Elementary School Nurse: Annual Report**  
**School Health and Nutrition/Wellness Programs      School Year**  
**2013/2014**

**School Health Goals for 2013/14:**

**Status:**

- |  |                |
|--|----------------|
| • Teach CPR to 8 <sup>th</sup> grade students.   | <i>Done</i>    |
| • Using the principles of Continuous Quality Improvement, continue program to decrease student injuries.           | <i>Ongoing</i> |
| • Using illness data, continue to evaluate the efficacy of the continued emphasis on hand washing.                 | <i>Ongoing</i> |
| • Using the quality improvement process, continue to evaluate BMI percents.  | <i>Ongoing</i> |
| • Continue to provide education and communications for teachers, paras, & parents regarding health-related issues. | <i>Ongoing</i> |
| • Attain 100% compliance with NH State Immunization Requirements   | <i>Done</i>    |
| • Continue Nutrition/Wellness work with emphasis on National Nutrition Month educational activities                | <i>Ongoing</i> |
| • Upgrade School Health Program, as necessary.   | <i>Done</i>    |
| • Continue work with School & SAU Safety Committees.   | <i>Ongoing</i> |

**Quality Improvement (QI) Program: School Health:**

**Analysis of QI Data: Illness & Injury Data:**

All students may come to the Health Office with teacher approval to get skin lotion, and Vaseline for chapped lips as needed; these visits are not counted in the Health Office statistics.

The total number of nurse visits were 1701 up from 1538. Per pupil average was 15 visits per student. 67% of visits were related to illness, up from 64% and 34% related to injury, down from 36%. The average per student illness related nurse contact was 9.9 visits. This was up from 7.9. Complaints of illness related to the respiratory tract accounted for 23% of all illness related nurse visits, down from 31%.

In a comparison, the average number of per student injury related nurse visits were 5.2 visits per student. This is up from 4.5 visits per student last year. When analyzing the source of injuries, 25% of the reported injuries were playground-related injuries, excluding structure-related.

This represents no change from last year. Structure-related injuries increased from last year. Physical Education related injuries are also increased from 13% to 15% of all injury related visits.

24% of injury-related visits were from other injuries sustained in school not associated with the sources previously mentioned, e.g. paper cuts, tripping in the hall, etc.

This is a decrease from last year's 29%. Home-related injuries resulted in 23% this is down from 27% of nurse visits. This would include falls off bikes, getting injured sledding, etc. And, after school sports related injuries increased from 7% of injury related visits to 8%.

**Follow-up of QI Data:** Continue to analyze injury data by source and type of injury. These data will be presented to the CES safety committee for action. Analyze illness data by type of illness.

**Upgrade School Health Program:**

We succeeded in our long term goal of providing Emergency Kits for each classroom.

**Nutrition/Wellness Goals 2013/14:**

- Nutrition: Continue involvement w/Farm to School Program	<b><u>Status:</u></b> Ongoing
- Education: Educate students regarding healthy diet	Ongoing
- Fitness: Stress fitness for life.	Ongoing

**Nutrition/Wellness Data:**

Maintaining a healthy food intake vs. exercise balance is important in maintaining good health over the course of a lifetime.

One marker of this balance is the body mass index (BMI). The score is valid for both children and adolescents but it does have some limits.

The **limits** of the BMI are:

- \* It may **overestimate** body fat in athletes and in others, whose body is muscular.
- \* It may **underestimate** body fat in those who have lost muscle mass.
- \* It may not be used alone for children and adolescents. Children put on weight prior to growth spurts. When a BMI is calculated during one of these times they may appear to be at risk for obesity or actually obese, when in fact they are in the middle of growing. Graphing the BMI as a **percentage** compared to other children the same age helps to make sense of this process.

A BMI and percent were calculated and graphed for each student. These data were reviewed with Mr. McFee, the PE teacher. These results were then compared to US, NH State and Sullivan County. Our overall school rate for Obesity, (15%) was compared with the US (17%), Sullivan County (17.4%), and NH State (12.6%). Our rates of both Obese and Overweight combined were the same as Sullivan County at 34% which is greater than NH State at 28%. We continue to pursue involvement in the Farm to School Program. We also continued the March Nutrition Theme.

Regarding the goal of improving fitness, the school and community continue to invest in this goal via an extra day for PE and continued involvement in the LIFE Program.

Follow-up of QI Data: Continue to collect BMI's. Analyze results. Continue to stress healthy eating, limiting screen time, getting exercise an hour of every day and getting enough rest.

Respectfully Submitted:

Mary E. Lynch, R.N, School Nurse



### **Healthy habits for you and your family.**

Healthy habits can protect you and your children. Simple actions can stop germs and prevent illnesses.

- **Cover your mouth and nose.** When you cough or sneeze, cover your mouth and nose with your elbow. If you use a tissue when you cough or sneeze, drop it in the trash. Then, wash your hands.
- **Keep Immunizations for *all* family members up-to-date,** including Flu vaccinations.
- **Wash your hands often.** Hand washing, with soap and warm water, can stop the spread of germs.
- **Brush and floss your teeth,** at least twice a day.
- **Eat five (5) fruits and vegetables per day.** Make half of your daily grain intake whole grains. Limit soda, fast foods, candy, cookies, chips, and desserts, such as pies and cakes.
- **Eat breakfast every day.**
- **Exercise every day** for at least 30 minutes, 60 minutes is better and recommended for all children.
- **Make certain everyone gets enough rest!** Remove electronics from student's bedrooms.
- **Limit students screen time,** TV, video games, PC's, etc., to no more than 2 hours a day. This does not include time spent actually doing homework.
- **Remind your children to practice healthy habits.** Model this for them.
- **Healthy habits help reduce illnesses and sick days.** Healthy habits may help improve school and work performance.
- **Make sure your family has an Emergency Preparedness Kit and a Plan** that is known by each member.

This message is from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, the NH Department of Health and Human Services, and your school nurse.

To learn more, please visit [www.cdc.gov](http://www.cdc.gov), [www.myplate.gov](http://www.myplate.gov), [www.ready.gov/kids](http://www.ready.gov/kids)

## **After Kinder Program**

2014-2015

The After KinderCare Program is in its ninth year of operation. It continues to be a helpful service to the families in Cornish who have children in Preschool and Kindergarten. There are currently 13 children enrolled in kindergarten. Of those 13 children, 13 have used the After Kinder Program so far this school year.

The Cornish After KinderCare Program strives to provide quality child care for children in preschool and kindergarten. Our program runs from 11:00 AM to 2:45 PM. Tuition cost is \$18 per day. The program operates out of the kindergarten classroom within the Cornish Elementary School. This allows the children to have as few transitions as possible.

We strive to provide a variety of activities for the children. We have a strong emphasis on social skills development. The children are taught problem solving skills that give them a base for what they are learning in school, and will face when they attend an all-day class. Throughout the afternoon the children are engaged in a variety of activities including but not limited to: dramatic play, arts and crafts, science experiments, cooking sessions, writing, reading, math concepts, sensory activities, circle time, cooperative group games, and nature explorations. There are many opportunities for natural play and creative expression. Program staff works closely with the kindergarten teacher to ensure children have a smooth transition at the end of their school day. Children who attend the After KinderCare Program may receive hot lunch and may also take the bus home from school.

We are licensed from the State of New Hampshire Child Care Licensing Bureau. This is an accomplishment that we are all very proud of.

Some benefits of the After KinderCare Program include:

- \*Increased opportunities of social skills development
- \*Easier transition to an all-day classroom
- \*Gain higher familiarity with the school environment and the educational staff within the school

If you have any questions about the After KinderCare Program, please contact Paige Lambert at the Cornish Elementary School.

## **Before & After School Program**

2014-2015

At the time of this writing 30 families have used the Before and After School Programs. From those 30 families, 22 children have used the Before School Program, and 27 children have used the After School Program. We are a multi-age program that welcomes children from Kindergarten through eighth grade. Program hours are 7:15 AM to 8:00 AM and 2:45 PM – 6:00 PM Monday-Thursday, 2:45 PM – 5:30 PM Friday. The Before School Program costs \$4 per day, and the After School Program costs \$10 per day.

We are also still continuing our Homework Club Program. Homework Club runs from 2:45 PM – 4:00 PM, Monday – Thursday. Staff assists students in completing homework and classroom assignments. Homework Club cost \$3 a day if the student is not enrolled in The After School Program. For students who are enrolled in The After School Program, the price of Homework club is included in the \$10 After School Program fee. 16 students have participated in homework club so far this year.

The Cornish Before & After School Program strives to provide quality out-of-school time and is dedicated to the development, education and care of children during these hours. Many of the activities that are provided in these programs allow for freedom to socialize with peers. It is very important to a child's social development that they are allowed to simply just be with their friends in an environment that allows safe explorations of play. Multi-age programs allow for development and exploration of different types of play among the children. The Before & After School Program strives to provide quality child care and enrichment opportunities which parents can rely upon throughout the school calendar year, as defined by the Cornish Elementary School District Calendar.

The program provides a variety of activities which include recreation and games, arts and crafts, reading, music, time to work on homework, and “free time” for the children to pursue their own interests in a safe, friendly environment. During the After School Program students are also provided a snack.

### **Parents' Expectations of the Programs**

Parents may expect that:

1. Their children are cared for in a safe, supportive environment.
2. They may visit with the Director about concerns related to their child or the program.

3. They will be told about any misbehavior on the part of their child, and visit with the program Director in order to bring about improvement in the situation.
4. They will be informed promptly if the child does not arrive at the program according to his/her enrollment information.

### Children's Expectations of The Programs

Children may expect:

1. To have a safe, supportive and consistent environment.
2. To use all the program equipment, materials and facilities on an equal basis.
3. To receive respectful treatment.
4. To have discipline that is fair and non-punitive.
5. To receive nurturing care from staff members who are actively involved with them.

Our program is proudly licensed with the State of New Hampshire Child Care Licensing Bureau.

If you have any questions about the Before & After School Programs, please contact Paige Lambert at the Cornish Elementary School.

Respectfully submitted by:

Paige Lambert

CBASP & CAKP Director **plambert@claremont.k12.nh.us**

Cornish Elementary School

274 Townhouse Road

Cornish, NH, 03745



## **Technology in the Cornish School District (January 2015)**

The Cornish School District has a progressive technology program providing students, staff, and administration with technology tools necessary for innovative instruction and daily work flow. High-speed internet is available in every classroom, the library, and in all offices of the school building. Wireless internet access is available throughout the school. We house a computer lab in the upper wing of the building with 21 computers for use by all students, a smaller lab with 10 computers stationed in the library for research and project work. The library also manages a 20 unit mobile laptop station and 23 Chromebooks to ensure student access to technology.

Some classrooms are equipped with 1-3 computers for staff and students. Interactive whiteboards are an important aspect to 21<sup>st</sup> century instruction and our school currently has 10 boards for instruction. We have ongoing initiatives utilizing Google Drive, E-portfolio, and Classroom websites to improve access to digital content and online tools for students, parents, and staff. A major initiative this Spring is completing the SmarterBalanced online testing that replaces NECAP.

We actively utilize email District-wide. We also have a school website linked directly from the SAU #6 site to enhance communication to parents and the community (<http://www.sau6.k12.nh.us/pages/SAU6>). PowerSchool is used daily to manage student information. We use the SchoolReach notification system to notify parents and staff of important changes or events.

The Cornish School District enforces an acceptable use policy emphasizing appropriate use of all computer technology. All staff, students, and parents review and sign the Cornish School Board Policy EGA-R to have access to the district network and internet resources. Keeping the district compliant with CIPA (Children's Internet Protection Act) is a requirement and a priority.

The Cornish School District has an active Technology Committee. The committee meets regularly to review the needs of the District, assesses progress with the District's technology plan to meet state standards, and recommends budgetary items. The technology program is constantly reviewed for improvements in technology access, utilization, and support.

Respectfully submitted,

Nathan LaVanway

## SAU#62015 Report of the Cornish School District SAU Planning Committee

At its March, 2014, annual meeting, the Cornish School District voted to create a planning committee to study the advisability of withdrawing from SAU#6 and pursuing options that could include joining or purchasing services from another SAU, pursuant RSA 194-C:2. Gwyn Gallagher, the School District Moderator, appointed Sandy Carlson, Peter Lynch, Heidi Jaarsma, Bill Palmer, and Nicole Saginor to the committee; the school board appointed Troy Simino and Holly Taft; and Middleton McGoodwin, SAU#6 superintendent, served as a non-voting member of the committee. The first official meeting of the committee was held August 11, 2014, and the committee subsequently met four more times as of the date of this writing. The terms of all committee members expire one year from the meeting at which the committee was created. Following are the goals of the Cornish School District SAU Planning Committee.

*The SAU Planning Committee, in meeting the requirements of RSA 194-C:2, will*

- *keep the best interests of Cornish students first and foremost in our decision making process;*
- *make decisions which seek the long term sustainability of our local school; and,*  
*recognize the fiscal impact of our decisions on the town of Cornish and its residents.*

Through studying the advisability of withdrawing from SAU#6, an SAU planning committee ultimately will recommend one of three options given in RSA 192-C:4:

1. Withdraw from SAU#6 and form a single district SAU; or
2. Withdraw from SAU#6 and reorganize, or join, with an existing SAU; or
3. Do not withdraw: remain with SAU#6.

State statute also requires that the committee study the advisability of withdrawal, estimate the cost of any new organization, investigate methods for financing any new organization, prepare an educational and fiscal analysis of the impact of withdrawal, consult with the department of education, and submit a report of its findings and recommendations to the department of education and the several school districts within the existing school administrative unit. As part of a recommendation to withdraw, a plan for single district organization or for reorganization with an existing school administrative unit (SAU) must be submitted to the state board of education.

The committee began its work with an examination of state mandated superintendent services to school districts as outlined in RSA 194-C:4.

Superintendent Middleton McGoodwin provided the committee with the current SAU#6 administrative structure and with the SAU#6 administrative reorganization plan. Superintendent McGoodwin also provided the committee with the SAU#6 F/Y14 operating budget. Taking options one through three, in the paragraph above, separately, the committee first studied single district SAU organizational structures that could provide state mandated SAU services to the Cornish School District. A subcommittee met with the superintendents of Grantham, Lyme, and Plainfield, all single district SAUs, to gather information about their administrative structures, delivery of services, and the budgetary implications of their organization. The committee also examined population and enrollment trends in Cornish and the three single districts contacted. The committee found that the single district SAU option was feasible; however, the committee tabled the single district study in October and turned to the study of reorganization with an existing SAU.

The committee researched the history of the school administrative unit in NH. In 1919, the NH legislature divided the state into supervisory unions. NH School districts were assigned to supervisory unions, and later, to school administrative units, by the Board of Education until the 1996 passage of RSA 194-C gave school districts a provision to withdraw from and to form new school administrative units. From 1919 to 1964, the Cornish School District was organized with various towns of similar size. In various configurations Cornish has been part of supervisory unions that included Acworth, Charlestown, Croydon, Goshen, Langdon, Lempster, Plainfield, and Unity. In a move toward regionalism during the early sixties, the Board of Education began reassigning smaller towns to larger area town and city SAUs. In 1964, the Cornish and Unity school districts joined Claremont in SAU#6.

In its study of the advisability of reorganization, or joining, with an existing SAU, the committee decided to study reorganization with a single district SAU of relatively comparable size to the Cornish School District. The criteria for a reorganization study were that the superintendent of the existing single district worked part-time and that the existing SAU was interested in studying reorganization. Of the several single district SAUs contacted, Plainfield SAU#32 expressed interest in studying reorganization. A subcommittee met with both the SAU#32 Superintendent and Finance Director in December and reported to the committee in January. SAU#32 has provided the committee with a cost study of administrative positions required to provide SAU services to the Cornish School District.

The committee recognizes that a possible withdrawal from SAU#6 and subsequent organization as a single district SAU or reorganization with an existing district has broad and far reaching educational and fiscal implications for the Cornish community.

The next step is a careful analysis of the educational and fiscal impact of withdrawal and reorganization. This will take time. Therefore, it is the

recommendation of the committee that the school board place an article on the 2015 Cornish School District Warrant to create a new SAU Planning Committee which will continue studying the advisability of withdrawal from SAU#6. Ultimately, the decision of withdrawal belongs to the voters of the Cornish School District. It is the duty of the committee to give the Cornish School District a thorough analysis of all options so that voters can make an informed decision that is in the best interests of Cornish students.

Respectfully submitted,

Heidi Jaarsma, Chair	Nicole Saginor
Bill Palmer, Vice- Chair	Troy Simino
Peter Lynch, Secretary	Holly Taft
Sandy Carlson	

\*\*\*\*\* All reports made to and by the committee are available at [www.cornishnh.net](http://www.cornishnh.net)

Detail of appropriations request 2015 Warrant Article:

Projected 2015 SAU Committee Expenses

postage	\$	150.00
printing	\$	525.00
public hearing	\$	75.00
Total	\$	750.00



Minutes of the Annual Meeting  
Cornish School District  
March 8, 2014

The annual meeting of the School District of the Town of Cornish, NH, was held on March 8, 2014, at the Cornish Elementary School. School District Clerk Kimberly Patterson swore in Leland Atwood, Robin Monette, and Ruth Rollins as Supervisors of the Checklist. Patterson also swore in Lois Fitts, Melanie Aguiar, Sandra Redlands, and Jane Walter as Ballot Inspectors.

School District Moderator Gwyn Gallagher opened the business meeting at 10:00AM. After declaring a quorum present, Gallagher opened the polls for voting on Article I and Article III by paper ballot.

Gallagher called the business meeting to order at 1:00PM. After Cornish Boy Scout Troop #332 led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag, Reverend Dale Nicholas followed with a brief prayer. Gallagher then introduced the Supervisory Union personnel in attendance, the School Board Members, School Counsel, the Supervisors of the Checklist, the District Officers, and the Ballot Clerks.

**Article I: (Election of Officers)**

There were 378 ballots cast. There are 1198 voters on the checklist.

**SCHOOL BOARD** – Holly Taft was elected to a three-year term with 196 votes. Cathy Parks was elected to a three-year term with 195 votes. Caroline Storrs received 169 votes. David Aguiar received 8 votes. Krista Merrihew received 150 write-in votes. Greg Clark, Merilyn Bourne, and Lois Fitts each received one write-in vote.

**TREASURER** – The following names were written in: Dan Poor (14), Heidi Jaarsma (11), Larry Dingee (3), Kristi Stevens (3), Leland Atwood (3), Bill Caterino (2), Dale Lawrence (2), Kim Patterson (2), Richard Simmons (1), Sandy Redlands (1), Jean Duval (1), Alicia Simino (1), Eric Atwood (1), Kathi Patterson (1), Bob Bulkeley (1), and Caroline Storrs (1). Dan Poor was elected to a one-year term.

**MODERATOR** – Gwyn Gallagher was elected to a one-year term with 342 votes. Peter Burling received one write-in vote.

**SCHOOL DISTRICT CLERK** – Kimberly Patterson was elected to a one-year term with 320 votes. Kathi Patterson received two write-in votes. Beth Lum received one write-in vote.

## Article II: (Hearing of Reports)

Kristi Stevens **moved** that the District accept the reports of agents, committees, or officers chosen (as reported in the *247th Annual Report*) and pass any votes relating thereto. Kathleen Maslan **seconded** the motion. Since no votes were required, the motion was **passed** by a voice vote.

## Article III: SB-2 (By Petition)

This article - Shall we adopt the provisions of RSA 40:13 (Senate Bill 2) to allow official ballot voting on all issues before the Cornish School District - was included on the official ballot. There were 370 votes cast. The article was **defeated**. 177 YES 193 NO

## Article IV: (Main Budget)

Kathleen Maslan **moved** that the School District vote to raise and appropriate the sum of THREE MILLION SEVEN HUNDRED THIRTEEN THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED THIRTY SEVEN DOLLARS (\$3,713,737) for the support of schools, for the salaries of District officials, agents, and employees, for payment of statutory obligations, and to authorize the applications against said appropriation of such sums as are estimated to be received from the State of New Hampshire, together with other income, the School Board to certify to the selectmen the balance between the estimated revenue and the appropriations, which balance is to be raised by taxes by the Town. The above amount includes \$3,569,237 for the general fund, \$54,000 for the school lunch fund, and \$90,500 for the federal projects fund and user fees. Glen Thornton **seconded** the motion.

Nicole Saginor made the **motion to amend** the main motion to the money for the principal's and guidance counselor's hours. Caroline Storrs **seconded** the motion, but it **failed** on a show of hands vote.

Everett Cass made a **motion to amend** to reduce the budget amount by \$50,000. Bill Fitz **seconded** the motion. The motion to amend **failed** on a show of hands vote.

Krista Merrihew made a **motion to amend** to increase the budget amount by \$89,532, the amount removed from the budget presented at the January public hearing. After a **second** by Jenny Blue, the motion to amend was **defeated** by a show of hands vote, 115-87.

Everett Cass **moved** for reconsideration of the budget. Alicia Simino **seconded**. The motion passed by a voice vote and discussion followed. After Troy Simino **moved** the question and Kristi Stevens **seconded**, the main motion was **passed** by a voice vote.

Article V: (Collective Bargaining Agreement)

Sharon St. Martin **moved** that the School District approve the cost item included in the collective bargaining agreement reached between the Cornish School Board and the Cornish Education Association which calls for the following increases in salaries and benefits:

Year	Estimated Increase
2014-15	\$ 31,070
2015-16	\$27,317

and further to raise and appropriate the sum of THIRTY-ONE THOUSAND SEVENTY DOLLARS (\$31,070) for the 2014-15 fiscal year, such sum representing the additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits over those of the appropriation at current staffing levels paid in the prior fiscal year. Kristi Stevens **seconded** the motion. The motion was **passed** by a paper ballot vote: 137 YES 67 NO

Article VI (Heating and Ventilation Improvements)

**Mike Monette moved** that the School District vote to raise and appropriate the sum of SIXTEEN THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED FIFTEEN DOLLARS (\$16,815) to and to authorize the withdrawal of \$16,815 from the School District HVAC Capital Reserve Fund created for purposes such as this one to install new heating system controls and replace a 1971 heating unit in the second grade. Jim Lukash **seconded** the motion.

Greg Clarke made a **motion to amend, seconded** by Chris Chilton, to increase the requested amount by \$6,000 for replacement cost of a second outdated heating unit. The **motion to amend** was passed by a voice vote.

The **amended main motion** to raise and appropriate the sum of \$22,815 was **passed** by a voice vote.

Article VII: (Deficit Appropriation)

Kristi Stevens **moved** that the School District vote to raise and appropriate the sum of TWENTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$20,000) as a deficit appropriation for the 2013-14 school budget relating to an increase in the number of high school tuition students and increased special education tuition costs. The amount is to be raised through general taxation. Kathleen Maslan **seconded** the motion.

Kristi Stevens **made the motion to amend** to increase this amount by \$10,000 so the amount to be raised by taxes would be \$30,000. After a **second** by Kathleen Maslan, the motion to amend was **passed** by a voice vote. The **amended main motion** was **passed** by a voice vote.

## **Article VIII: (Appropriate to the Capital Reserve Fund- Tuition and Special Education)**

Glenn Thornton **moved** that the School District vote to raise and appropriate the sum of SIXTEEN THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$16,000) to be added to School District Special Education/High School Tuition capital reserve fund previously established. The motion **passed** by a voice vote after a **second** by Kristi Stevens.

## **Article IX: (SAU-withdrawal committee)**

Kathleen Maslan **moved** that the School District vote to form a planning committee to study the advisability of withdrawing from SAU6 and pursuing options that could include joining or purchasing services from another SAU, pursuant to RSA 194-C:2 which specifies that the committee will consist of 5 public members appointed by the moderator, 2 School Board members appointed by the School Board, and the Superintendent of Schools as a non-voting member. After a **second** by Marilyn Bourne, the motion was **passed** by a voice vote.

## **Article X: (Other Business)**

Mike Monette **moved** that the School Board be required to explain the school budget department by department at both the budget hearing and the district meeting. The motion **passed** by a voice vote after Krista Merrihew **seconded** it.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:00PM by a voice vote after a motion to adjourn by Kristi Stevens that was seconded by Mike Monette.

Respectfully submitted,

Kimberly Patterson  
School District Clerk



## Report of the School District Treasurer

Fiscal Year 2013-14

<b>Cash on hand June 30, 2013</b>	<b>&lt;\$29,575&gt;</b>
Received from Selectmen	\$2,337,382
Received from State/Federal sources & other sources	1,445,104
<b>Total Receipts</b>	<b>\$3,782,486</b>
<b>Less School Board Orders Processed</b>	<b>\$3,705,664</b>
<b>Cash on Hand / Book Balance June 30, 2014</b>	<b>\$47,247</b>

---

### Cornish School Building Fund

June 30, 2014 Fund Balance

Fund Balance as of June 30, 2013	\$6,569.19
Pledges Received	0.00
Income Earned – interest	1.38
<b><i>TOTAL June 30, 2014</i></b>	<b><i>\$6,570.57</i></b>

---

### Science Room Renovation Fund

June 30, 2014 Fund Balance

Fund Balance as of June 30, 2013	\$1,495.29
Pledges Received	0.00
Income Earned – interest	0.00
Withdrawal	0.00
<b><i>TOTAL – June 30, 2014</i></b>	<b><i>\$1,495.29</i></b>

# **Debt Payment Schedule** Cornish School District

Period	Energy Efficiency Projects	
	Principal	Interest
2014-2015	51,111	8,399.
2015-2016	51,111	6,871.
2016-2017	51,111	5,359.
2017-2018	51,111	3,814.
2018-2019	51,111	2,286.
2019-2020	---	758.



Cornish French Account	
	Scholarship
Balance 6/30/2013	\$15,316.50
Interest	\$8.22
Donations/Fundraising	\$0.00
Withdrawals	\$0.00
Balance 6/30/2014	\$15,324



James Brewster Fitch Scholarship				
Agricultural/Environmental Scholarship (Original Contribution \$6,873.43)				
Beginning Balance 6/30/13	Contribution	Interest	Withdrawals	Fund Balance 06/30/14
\$8,992.87	\$0.00	\$2.67	\$0.00	\$8,995.54

Special Endowment Funds  
June 30, 2014 Fund Balances

FUND NAME (original gift/principle amount)	RESTRICTIONS	BALANCE
James Farley Memorial Fund	Writing Excellence	\$ 4,977
Gratia T. Huggins Memorial Fund	Capital Expense	11,608
Eberhardt Award	Art & Music	570
Ellsworth Atwood Memorial	Citizenship	565
Glen Smith Sportmanship Award	Sportsmanship	277
Harriet Runnals Award	Multiple Categories	1,303
Clarence Williams Memorial Fund	Sports Program	1,770
Clarence Williams Memorial Fund	Resource Room Program	1,770
Science Discovery Fund	Science Exploration	1,544
Doris Morgan McAuley Fund	Spelling Excellence	978
TOTAL ENDOWMENTS – June 30, 2014		\$25,362



Queneau Scholarship Trust

Principal Amount	Income Beginning Year	Income	Expended	Income End Year
\$33,000.00	\$2,394.64	\$272.90	\$0.00	\$2,667.54*

\*Reflects available balance

## District's Share of SAU #6 Expenses

2014-15

Claremont	80.36%	\$1,225,997
Cornish	11.25%	\$171,530
Unity	8.39%	\$128,015
	100.00%	\$1,525,542



## District's Share of Administrative Salaries

2014-15

	Claremont	Cornish	Unity	Total
	80.36%	11.25%	8.39%	100.00%
Superintendent	\$100,456	\$14,055	\$10,489	\$125,000
Assistant Superintendent	75,784	10,603	7,913	94,300
Director of Special Education	70,841	9,911	7,397	88,150
Director of Business & Finance	72,489	10,142	7,569	90,200



## School Administrative Unit #6

Dr. Middleton K. McGoodwin	Superintendent
Timothy Koumrian	Director of Special Education
Nathan LaVanway	Director of Technology
Cory LeClair	Director of Federal Grants
Corrine Baptistella	Administrative Assistant
Deanna Crowell	Accounting Supervisor
Nancy Tanner	Director of Human Resources
Brianna Connell	Administrative Assistant
Susan Doody	Medicaid Reimbursement
Tonya LeClair	Business Office Clerk
Kelly Poisson	HR Assistant
Brandi Riley	Technology Services Assistant
Shari Theriault	Business Office Clerk
Melissa Small	Administrative Assistant
April Woodman	Administrative Assistant



# **CORNISH SCHOOL DISTRICT**

## Special Education Expenses & Revenue

Category	Actual 12-13	Actual 13-14	Budget 14-15	Budget 15-16
State Funding:				
Catastrophic Aid	0	0	27,100	28,500
Adequate Education Grants- SPED	59,652	59,652	63,611	64,239
Federal and Grant Funding:				
Chap. 1- Tutoring in Reading	8,911	8,724	17,400	17,400
Medicaid	15,366	17,091	11,000	11,000
TOTAL REVENUE	83,929	85,467	88,052	121,139
Total Special Ed. Expenses	430,967	408,736	406,007	515,976
Net Special Education Expenses				
Paid From Property Taxes	347,038	323,269	381,823	394,837

# **Fundraiser Report** 2013-14

FUNDRAISER	PREVIOUS BALANCE	AMOUNT RAISED	AMOUNT EXPENDED	BALANCE
Class of 2014	\$2,888.18	\$17,436.76	\$20,324.94	\$0.00
Class of 2015	\$0.00	\$2,531.30	\$0.00	\$2,531.30
Yearbook	\$2,278.20	\$8,315.40	\$7,945.55	\$2,648.05
3/4 Wreaths*	\$66.88	\$4,531.38	\$2,781.82	\$1,816.44
Farm to School	\$1,629.35	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,629.35

**Food Service Report**  
CORNISH SCHOOL DISTRICT

<u>School Year</u>	<u>Number of Student Lunches/Breakfasts</u>	<u>Average per Day</u>
2009-10	11,446/2,653	63.6/14.7
2010-11	12,790/2,436	71.1/13.5
2011-12	15,491/1,553	86.07/8.6
2012-13	10,662/2,254	59.23/12.52
2013-14	17,788/2,300	98.82/12.78

<u>School Year</u>	<u>Profit/ (Loss) Before General Fund Subsidy</u>
2009-10	(22,994)
2010-11	(24,071)
2011-12	(30,730)
2012-13	(27,129)
2013-14	(25,094)

Percent of Café Services Total Cost:

	<u>2013-14</u>	<u>2012-13</u>	<u>2011-12</u>
Food	31.3	29.3	23.7
Labor	54.5	55.2	60.5
Café Services Fee	6.0	10.2	10.2
General and Administrative	1.3	1.7	2.1
Other	6.9	3.6	3.5

	<u>2013-14</u>	<u>2012-13</u>	<u>2011-12</u>
<u>Cost per Lunch Served:</u>	5.41	5.95	4.10

## School District Warrant

Cornish School District  
Cornish, New Hampshire

To the inhabitants of the School District in the Town of Cornish in the County of Sullivan in said State, qualified to vote in District affairs:

You are hereby notified to attend the Annual District Meeting at the Cornish Elementary School Gymnasium on Saturday, March 7, 2015, at 1:00 a.m., to act upon the articles set forth in this warrant.

Article 1 of the Warrant, will be voted upon by official ballot from the checklist and the polls will remain open for this purpose from 8:00 a.m., in the forenoon until 7:00 p.m., in the evening.

The business session of the School District meeting will commence at 1:00 p.m. in the afternoon at which time the remaining articles will be acted upon.

### **Article I: (Election of District Officials)**

To elect a District Moderator, District Clerk and District Treasurer, each for a one (1) year term, and two School Board members, each for a three (3) year term.

### **Article II: (Hearing of Reports)**

To hear reports of Agents, Committees or Officers chosen and pass any vote relating thereto.

### **Article III: (Main Budget)**

To see if the School District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of THREE MILLION SIX HUNDRED SEVENTY SEVEN THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED FORTY FIVE DOLLARS (\$3,677,945) for the support of schools, for the salaries of District officials, agents, and employees, for payment of statutory obligations, and to authorize the applications against said appropriation of such sums as are estimated to be received from the State of New Hampshire, together with other income, the School Board to certify to the selectmen the balance between the estimated revenue and the appropriations, which balance is to be raised by taxes by the Town. The above amount includes \$3,522,445 for the general fund, \$65,000 for the school lunch fund, and \$90,500 for the federal projects fund and user fees.

(The School Board Recommends This Article)



**Article IV: (Appropriate to the Capital Reserve Fund - Tuition and Special Education) (Special Warrant Article)**

To see if the School District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of TWENTY FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$25,000) to be added to School District Special Education/High School Tuition capital reserve fund previously established. (Majority vote required) (The School Board Recommends This Article)

**Article V: (Fire Alarm System Improvements)**

To see if the School District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of FORTY ONE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$41,000) for the purpose of completing fire alarms system upgrades required to meet life safety codes. (The School Board Recommends This Article)

**Article VI: (Withdrawal Study Committee)**

To see if the School District will vote to form a planning committee to study the advisability of withdrawing from SAU#6 and pursuing options that could include joining or purchasing services from another SAU, pursuant to RSA 194-C:2 which specifies that the committee will consist of 5 public members appointed by the moderator, 2 School Board members appointed by the School Board, and the Superintendent of Schools as a non-voting member. And, further, to see if the School District will raise and appropriate the sum of seven hundred fifty dollars (\$750) to meet the expenses of said committee as allowed under RSA 194-C.I.7.

(The School Board Recommends This Article)

**Article VII: Library Media Position Funding (By Petition)**

To see if the School District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$43,650.36 for the purpose of funding a .8 Library Media Specialist position for the Cornish School. Said amount includes retirement benefits.

**Article VIII: Full Day Kindergarten (By Petition)**

To see if the town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$15,000.00 to implement Full Day Kindergarten at Cornish Elementary School following the CEA recommendation #3.

**Article IX: (Other Business)**

To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

GIVEN UNDER OUR HANDS AND SEAL AT SAID Cornish this 13th day of February, 2015.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Troy Simino

\_\_\_\_\_  
Glen Thornton

\_\_\_\_\_  
Cathy Parks

\_\_\_\_\_  
Sharon St. Martin

\_\_\_\_\_  
Holly Taft

Cornish School District Proposed Budget 2015-16 Description		Actual 2013-14	Budget 2014-15	Proposed 2015-16	Increase or Decrease	Percent Change
Total Health Insurance		262,026	296,958	241,490	(55,468)	-18.68%
Total Dental Insurance		13,172	14,627	10,480	(4,147)	-28.35%
<b>Total Health and Dental Insurance</b>		<b>275,198</b>	<b>311,585</b>	<b>251,970</b>	<b>(59,615)</b>	<b>-19.13%</b>
Reg. Inst. Salaries		554,716	534,693	424,791	(109,902)	-20.55%
Reg. Inst. Salaries Paras		52,809	49,944	33,852	(16,092)	-32.22%
Reg. Inst. Salaries Substitutes		29,760	30,000	30,000	0	0.00%
Reg. Inst. Life & Disability		562	2,839	1,104	(1,735)	-61.12%
Reg. Inst. Workers Comp		3,935	2,392	2,392	0	0.00%
Reg. Inst. Unemployment Insurance		2,174	2,505	2,505	0	0.00%
Reg. Inst. Medicare Taxes		8,250	0	6,127	6,127	100.00%
Reg. Inst. Social Security Taxes		35,195	46,556	30,396	(16,160)	-34.71%
Reg. Inst. Retirement		74,005	82,877	66,521	(16,356)	-19.74%
Dist Wide Intermediate Equational Agency Svcs		0	1,500	0	(1,500)	-100.00%
Reg. Inst. Staff Development		8,646	15,000	15,000	0	0.00%
Testing		1,560	0	0	0	0.00%
Reg. Inst. Equip. Repair		0	1,200	1,200	0	0.00%

Description	Actual 2013-14	Budget 2014-15	Proposed 2015-16	Increase or Decrease	Percent Change
Reg. Inst. High School Tuition - In State	259,852	284,473	306,895	22,422	7.88%
Reg. Inst. High School Tuition - Out of State	730,665	714,000	724,485	10,485	1.47%
Reg. Inst. Supplies	16,374	15,950	15,950	0	0.00%
Reg. Inst. Assessment	989	2,000	1,500	(500)	-25.00%
Reg. Inst. Copiers	5,221	4,860	4,860	0	0.00%
Reg. Inst. Software	6,527	14,287	14,287	0	0.00%
Reg. Inst. Enrichment	1,792	4,000	4,000	0	0.00%
Reg. Inst. Textbooks	8,836	21,000	15,000	(6,000)	-28.57%
Reg. Inst. Replacement Equipment	24,756	15,700	0	(15,700)	-100.00%
Reg. Inst. Furniture	810	1,000	1,000	0	0.00%
<b>Total Regular Education</b>	<b>1,827,435</b>	<b>1,846,776</b>	<b>1,701,864</b>	<b>(144,912)</b>	<b>-7.85%</b>
Sped. Salaries	68,242	69,242	79,766	10,524	15.20%
Sped. Salaries Paras	127,662	105,678	89,304	(16,374)	-15.49%
Sped. Tutoring	0	1,000	1,000	0	0.00%
Sped. Life & Disability	199	443	507	64	14.51%
Sped. Workers Comp	423	966	966	0	0.00%
Sped. Unemployment Insurance	517	282	282	0	0.00%



Description	Actual 2013-14	Budget 2014-15	Proposed 2015-16	Increase or Decrease	Percent Change
Sped. Medicare Taxes	3,095	0	2,761	2,761	100.00%
Sped. Social Security Taxes	13,234	7,464	11,805	4,341	58.16%
Sped. Retirement	27,432	13,816	26,714	12,898	93.36%
Sped. Speech & Lang. Services	17,145	20,000	20,000	0	0.00%
Sped. Staff Development	0	100	100	0	0.00%
Sped. Testing	10,471	11,000	11,000	0	0.00%
Sped. Occupational Therapy	3,169	15,000	15,000	0	0.00%
Sped. Professional Services	1,016	200	19,000	18,800	9,400.00%
Sped. High School Tuition - In State	95,117	117,184	0	(117,184)	-100.00%
Sped. High School Tuition - Out of State	68,322	95,900	97,400	1,500	1.56%
Sped. High School Tuition - Private	0	0	187,700	187,700	100.00%
Sped. Elem. Tuition-Out of State	0	0	0	0	0.00%
Sped. Travel	324	0	0	0	0.00%
Sped. Supplies	1,879	700	700	0	0.00%
Sped. Textbooks	550	500	500	0	0.00%
Sped. Workbooks	349	325	325	0	0.00%
Sped. New Equipment	565	700	400	(300)	-42.86%
Extended Year Program Salary	700	3,000	3,000	0	0.00%
Salaries Paras	400	0	0	0	0.00%
Extended Year Prog Unemployment	9	0	0	0	0.00%

Description	Actual 2013-14	Budget 2014-15	Proposed 2015-16	Increase or Decrease	Percent Change
Extended Year Program Medicare Taxes	15	0	0	0	0.00%
Extended Year Program Social Security Taxes	66	230	230	0	0.00%
Extended Year Program Retirement	142	0	0	0	0.00%
<b>Total Student Services</b>	<b>441,042</b>	<b>463,730</b>	<b>568,460</b>	<b>104,730</b>	<b>22.58%</b>
Athletics Salaries	2,000	3,500	1,500	(2,000)	-57.14%
Athletics Unemployment Insurance	8	0	0	0	0.00%
Athletics Medicare Taxes	27	0	0	0	0.00%
Athletics Social Security Taxes	115	150	150	0	0.00%
Athletics Retirement	212	0	0	0	0.00%
Athletics Police/Referees	4,073	4,250	1,400	(2,850)	-67.06%
Athletics Supplies	1,828	3,650	1,500	(2,150)	-58.90%
<b>Total Athletics</b>	<b>8,263</b>	<b>11,550</b>	<b>4,550</b>	<b>(7,000)</b>	<b>-60.61%</b>
Guidance Salaries	51,036	37,414	21,274	(16,140)	-43.14%
Guidance Life & Disability	69	242	242	0	0.00%
Guidance Workers Comp	138	498	498	0	0.00%
Guidance Unemployment Insurance	156	141	141	0	0.00%

Description	Actual 2013-14	Budget 2014-15	Proposed 2015-16	Increase or Decrease	Percent Change
Guidance Medicare Taxes	705	0	275	275	100.00%
Guidance Social Security Taxes	3,015	3,847	1,176	(2,671)	-69.44%
Guidance Retirement	10,687	7,120	0	(7,120)	-100.00%
Guidance Supplies	499	900	900	0	0.00%
Health Salaries	34,366	33,691	33,347	(344)	-1.02%
Health Workers Comp.	91	327	327	0	0.00%
Health Unemployment Insurance	103	141	141	0	0.00%
Health Medicare Taxes	437	0	402	402	100.00%
Health Social Security Taxes	1,868	2,527	1,720	(807)	-31.92%
Health Retirement	4,866	4,677	5,226	549	11.73%
Health Supplies	1,560	986	400	(586)	-59.43%
Health Textbooks	76	150	50	(100)	-66.67%
Health New Equipment	0	300	300	0	0.00%
<b>Total Guidance and Health</b>	<b>109,672</b>	<b>92,961</b>	<b>66,419</b>	<b>(26,542)</b>	<b>-28.55%</b>
Media Salaries	41,249	32,658	21,238	(11,420)	-34.97%
Media Life & Disability	57	199	87	(112)	-56.10%
Media Workers Comp.	113	408	183	(225)	-55.16%
Media Unemployment Insurance	128	141	141	0	0.00%

Description	Actual 2013-14	Budget 2014-15	Proposed 2015-16	Increase or Decrease	Percent Change
Media Medicare Taxes	580	0	298	298	100.00%
Media Social Security Taxes	2,479	3,156	1,273	(1,883)	-59.68%
Media Retirement	5,841	5,841	0	(5,841)	-100.00%
Media Equip. Repair	(483)	0	0	0	0.00%
Media Supplies	141	2,500	2,500	0	0.00%
Media Books	0	4,500	4,500	0	0.00%
Media Periodicals	338	350	350	0	0.00%
Information Management Services Stipends	0	0	1,000	1,000	100.00%
Information Management Services Contracted Service	15,688	13,040	21,160	8,120	62.27%
Telephone	0	0	2,300	2,300	100.00%
Data Communications	0	0	3,700	3,700	100.00%
General Software	0	1,700	5,900	4,200	247.06%
Equipment	0	0	14,200	14,200	100.00%
<b>Total Library and Media</b>	<b>66,131</b>	<b>64,493</b>	<b>78,829</b>	<b>14,336</b>	<b>22.23%</b>
School Board Secretary	1,275	0	0	0	0.00%
School Board District Clerk	30	0	0	0	0.00%



Description	Actual 2013-14	Budget 2014-15	Proposed 2015-16	Increase or Decrease	Percent Change
School Board Election Officials	319	0	0	0	0.00%
School Board Medicare Taxes	24	0	0	0	0.00%
School Board Social Security Taxes	101	0	0	0	0.00%
School Board Professional Services	14,298	7,750	7,750	0	0.00%
School Board Auditors	15,740	8,000	8,000	0	0.00%
School Board Advertising	2,530	2,200	2,200	0	0.00%
School Board Annual Report	0	1,100	1,100	0	0.00%
School Board Supplies	56	750	750	0	0.00%
School Board Dues & Fees	668	2,461	2,461	0	0.00%
<b>Total School Board</b>	<b>35,041</b>	<b>22,261</b>	<b>22,261</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>SAU 6 SAU Services</b>	<b>171,330</b>	<b>207,900</b>	<b>220,814</b>	<b>12,914</b>	<b>6.21%</b>
School Admin. Salaries	78,540	73,042	82,588	9,546	13.07%
School Admin. Secretary Salary	35,488	35,355	34,807	(548)	-1.55%
School Admin. Life & Disability	333	371	429	58	15.61%
School Admin. Workers Comp.	310	1,121	1,121	0	0.00%
School Admin. Unemployment Insurance	349	282	282	0	0.00%

Description	Actual 2013-14	Budget 2014-15	Proposed 2015-16	Increase or Decrease	Percent Change
School Admin. Medicare Taxes	1,582	0	1,612	1,612	100.00%
School Admin. Social Security Taxes	6,762	8,660	6,892	(1,768)	-20.42%
School Admin. Retirement	14,943	12,192	16,829	4,637	38.04%
TSA	468	0	936	936	100.00%
School Admin. Staff Development	2,000	2,361	2,361	0	0.00%
School Admin. Postage	354	1,500	1,500	0	0.00%
School Admin. Advertising	303	1,700	1,700	0	0.00%
School Admin. Printing	1,523	2,500	2,000	(500)	-20.00%
School Admin. Travel	376	600	600	0	0.00%
School Admin. Supplies	257	900	500	(400)	-44.44%
School Admin. Replacement Equip.	429	0	0	0	0.00%
School Admin. Principal's Fund	582	500	500	0	0.00%
School Admin. Dues & Fees	500	450	450	0	0.00%
School Admin. Graduation	1,297	750	1,400	650	86.67%
<b>Total School Administration</b>	<b>146,395</b>	<b>142,284</b>	<b>156,506</b>	<b>14,222</b>	<b>10.00%</b>
Contribution Holiday Medicare Taxes	22	0	0	0	0.00%
Contribution Holiday Social Security Taxes	96	0	0	0	0.00%
Maintenance Salaries	77,839	68,718	68,832	114	0.17%

<b>Description</b>	<b>Actual 2013-14</b>	<b>Budget 2014-15</b>	<b>Proposed 2015-16</b>	<b>Increase or Decrease</b>	<b>Percent Change</b>
Maintenance Life & Disability	60	204	209	5	2.59%
Maintenance Workers Comp	194	3,557	3,557	0	0.00%
Maintenance Unemployment Insurance	219	339	339	0	0.00%
Maintenance Medicare Taxes	1,070	0	946	946	100.00%
Maintenance Social Security Taxes	4,576	5,154	4,045	(1,109)	-21.51%
Maintenance Retirement	5,612	7,255	4,926	(2,329)	-32.10%
Maintenance Contracted Services	15,112	10,500	12,750	2,250	21.43%
Maintenance Water & Septic	2,969	1,300	1,300	0	0.00%
Maintenance Rubbish Removal	3,580	4,000	4,000	0	0.00%
Maintenance Lawn Care	1,500	950	950	0	0.00%
Maintenance Repairs/Maintenance Services	46,782	34,480	34,480	0	0.00%
Maintenance Building Improvements	900	18,050	18,050	0	0.00%
Maintenance Internet	129	0	0	0	0.00%
Maintenance Property Insurance	6,932	14,000	14,000	0	0.00%
Maintenance Telephone	3,394	9,800	3,800	(6,000)	-61.22%
Maintenance Supplies	9,510	11,000	11,000	0	0.00%
Maintenance Electricity	27,134	25,000	25,000	0	0.00%
Maintenance Propane	1,719	5,600	2,550	(3,050)	-54.46%
Maintenance Fuel Oil/Propane	1,432	2,550	2,600	50	1.96%
Wood Pellets	15,374	16,800	17,955	1,155	6.88%

Description	Actual 2013-14	Budget 2014-15	Proposed 2015-16	Increase or Decrease	Percent Change
<b>Total Building and Grounds</b>	<b>226,155</b>	<b>239,257</b>	<b>231,290</b>	<b>(7,967)</b>	<b>-3.33%</b>
Transportation Field Trips	5,844	5,000	5,000	0	0.00%
Transportation Elementary	111,194	105,000	105,000	0	0.00%
Transportation SPED High School	0	0	23,500	23,500	100.00%
<b>Total Transportation</b>	<b>117,037</b>	<b>110,000</b>	<b>133,500</b>	<b>23,500</b>	<b>21.36%</b>
Debt Service Principal Payment	51,111	51,111	51,111	0	0.00%
Debt Service Interest Payment	9,930	8,399	6,871	(1,528)	-18.20%
<b>Total Debt Service</b>	<b>61,041</b>	<b>59,510</b>	<b>57,982</b>	<b>(1,528)</b>	<b>-2.57%</b>
<b>Fund Transfers Food Service</b>	<b>25,094</b>	<b>28,000</b>	<b>28,000</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
Transfer to Cap. Reserve-Tuition	16,000	0	25,000	25,000	100.00%
<b>Total General Fund</b>	<b>3,525,834</b>	<b>3,600,307</b>	<b>3,547,445</b>	<b>(52,862)</b>	<b>-1.47%</b>
<b>Lunch</b>			<b>95,000</b>		
<b>Grants</b>			<b>65,000</b>		
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>			<b>3,707,445</b>		
			<b>\$59,134.20</b>		



<b>CORNISH SCHOOL DISTRICT 2015-16 PROPOSED REVENUES</b>		<b>As Set 2013-14</b>	<b>As Set 2014-15</b>	<b>Proposed 15-16</b>	<b>\$ Chg</b>	<b>% Chg</b>
<b>REVENUE DETAIL:</b>						
1121	District Assessment	2,352,382	2,204,561	2,332,056	127,495	5.78%
	State Property Tax	445,792	455,033	438,045	-16,988	-
4580	Medicaid	11,000	11,000	11,000	0	0.00%
41-4539	Federal Grants	50,000	64,000	90,500	26,500	41.41%
	Building Aid	17,627	15,467	15,467	0	0.00%
1500	Interest Income	2,000	500	500	0	0.00%
1990	Miscellaneous Income	90,000	91,327	90,000	1,327	-1.45%
3110	Adequate Education Grants	727,196	694,516	673,627	-20,889	-3.01%
3240	Catastrophic Aid	0	27,100	28,500	1,400	5.17%
	Food Service Revenue	53,000	63,685	65,000	1,315	2.06%
5220	From Building Endowment Fund	0	22,815	0	-22,815	-100%
	Fund Balance to Reduce Taxes		163,618		-163,618	-100%
<b>Revenue Total</b>		<b>3,748,997</b>	<b>3,813,622</b>	<b>3,744,695</b>	<b>-68,927</b>	<b>-1.81%</b>

CORNISH SCHOOL DISTRICT 2015-2016 PROPOSED BUDGET TAX RATE IMPACT							
	As Set 2013-14	As Set 2014-15	Proposed 2015-16	\$ Chg	% Chg		
<b>Appropriation- General Fund</b>							
Total Non-Tax Revenue	3,717,997	3,744,807	3,677,945	-66,682	-1.79%		
State Property Tax	950,823	1,125,313	974,594	-150,719	-13.39%		
	445,792	445,033	438,045	-6,988	-1.57%		
Deficit Appropriation	15,000	30,000	0	-30,000	100.00%		
Use of Fund Balance	0	163,618	0	-163,618	100.00%		
<b>Local Tax Levy</b>	2,336,382	2,204,461	2,299,542	95,081	4.31%		
<b>Assessed Value</b>	185,970,659	173,416,533	173,416,533	0	0.00%		
<b>Local Tax Rate</b>	12.56	12.71	13.26	0.55	4.31%		
<b>Estimated State Rate</b>	2.46	2.71	2.42	-0.29	-10.70%		
<b>Tax Rate Article 3 Main Budget (\$ per \$1,000)</b>	15.02	15.42	15.68	0.26	1.67%		

**Cornish School District  
Cornish, New Hampshire**

**2015-16 Projected Salaries, Payroll Taxes, & Benefits**

Name	Educ./ Rate	FTE/ Hrs	Wks	Years Exp.	Step	14-15 Salary	15-16 Salary	Payroll Taxes & Benefits
<b>REGULAR EDUCATION</b>								
Bourne	MA+15	1		13	9	51,279	52,817	
Buchan	BA	0.4		13	9	27,176	18,661	
McFee	BA	0.6		1	1	17,759	18,499	
Coolidge	MA +15	0.5		38		36,815	37,551	
Crary	MA	1		20	12	56,673	56,549	
D'Angelo	BA	1		2	2	31,640	32,589	
Hammond	MA	1		2	2	36,129	37,123	
Lacreta	MA	0.4		15	10	30,893	21,213	
McCarthy	MA	1		2	2	36,129	37,123	
Terrien	MA +30	1		18	13	57,895	59,632	
Tilton-Wahlert	MA	1		15	10	51,489	53,034	

Name	Educ./ Rate	FTE/ Hrs	Wks	Years Exp.	Step	14-15 Salary	15-16 Salary	Payroll Taxes & Benefits
Tech Ed Stipend						1,000	1,000	
ESOL Stipend						220	220	
Additional Time						3,380	3,380	
Sub-total						438,477	429,391	237,423
<b>SUBSTITUTES</b>								
Various						30,000	30,000	2,295
<b>REGULAR ED PARA</b>								
Brodeur	16.18	35	38			21,519	21,519	
Fusco	9.02	35	38				11,997	
Ryan	16.19	35	38			21,306	21,306	
Von Gillern	10.42	18	38			7,127	7,127	
Amount Charged to Title I							(28,097)	
Subtotal						49,952	33,852	18,615



Name	Educ./ Rate	FTE/ Hrs	Wks	Years Exp.	Step	14-15 Salary	15-16 Salary	Payroll Taxes & Benefits
<b>SPECIAL EDUCATION</b>								
Meyer	BA +15	1		3	3	45,083	46,435	
Poitras	MA	1		17	12	54,902	56,549	
Lead Teacher						1,000	1,000	
Less 94-142 Grant						(31,743)	(24,218)	
Subtotal						69,242	79,766	34,028
<b>SPED PARA</b>								
Coffran	10.89	35	38			13,634	14,331	
Fielder	9.02	35	38			11,470	11,633	
Formichelli	11.6	35	38			14,895	15,266	
Sivret Hanson	13.67	35	38			17,590	17,990	
Thornton	10.89	35	38			14,021	14,331	
Vigneault	11.96	35	38			15,310	15,753	
Subtotal						86,920	89,304	41,693

Name	Educ./ Rate	FTE/ Hrs	Wks	Years Exp.	Step	14-15 Salary	15-16 Salary	Payroll Taxes & Benefits
<b>GUIDANCE</b>								
Graciano	MA	0.6		1		20,654	21,274	8,306
<b>NURSE</b>								
Lynch	25.34	32.5	38			33,347	33,347	8,317
<b>LIBRARIAN</b>								
Roper	MA	1		6	5	34,365	21,238	1,982
<b>ADMINISTRATION</b>								
Sivret		0.9				73,042		
Vacant							82,588	
Lawrence	1,307	1	26			34,242	34,807	
Subtotal						107,284	117,395	61,940
<b>MAINTENANCE/CUSTODIAL</b>								
Monette						43,930	44,099	
Brooks	11.25	10	52			2,878	5,722	
Strout	12.14	23	52			18,569	19,011	
Subtotal						65,377	68,832	27,411
<b>GENERAL FUND TOTAL</b>								
						935,618	924,399	442,010



## PLODZIK & SANDERSON

*Professional Association/Accountants & Auditors*

193 North Main Street • Concord • New Hampshire • 03301-5063 • 603-225-6996 • FAX- 603-224-1380

### **INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT**

To the Members of the School Board  
Cornish School District  
Cornish, New Hampshire

#### ***Report on the Financial Statements***

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Cornish School District as of and for the year ended June 30, 2013, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the School District's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

#### ***Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements***

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; this includes the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

#### ***Auditor's Responsibility***

Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

#### ***Opinions***

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Cornish School District as of June 30, 2013, the respective changes in financial position, and the respective budgetary comparisons for the general, food service, and grants funds for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

#### ***Emphasis of Matter – Management's Discussion and Analysis***

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the Management's Discussion and Analysis (pages 3 through 9) and the Schedule of Funding Progress for Other Postemployment Benefit Plan (page 34) be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is



*Cornish School District  
Independent Auditor's Report*

required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers them to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

*Emphasis of Matter – Supplementary Information*

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Cornish School District's basic financial statements. The combining and individual fund financial schedules are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements.

The combining and individual fund financial schedules are the responsibility of management and were derived from and relate directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the combining and individual fund financial schedules are fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

May 27, 2014

*Blodvik & Sanderson  
Professional Association*





New Hampshire State Library



3 4677 00294390 5